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## TELEGRAMS.

### THE BALKAN WAR.

#### A CONFERENCE SENSATION.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

A momentary sensation was created when the Turkish delegates were seen hurrying alone from the Conference after an hour's sitting, but it was quickly announced that the Conference had been adjourned to Saturday because the Turkish instructions had not been received; they are coming by special courier.

#### TURKS AND GREEKS.

It is stated in Constantinople that the Porte has directed the Peace delegates to agree to negotiate with Greece, without the latter signing the armistice.

#### NO ARGUMENT.

Reuter's Agency understands that the peace terms have been carefully drawn up, and that the Allies are not prepared for bargaining; the terms must be accepted or rejected as they stand. The delegates of the Allies are working in perfect harmony. There is a certain amount of pessimism regarding the question of Adrianople, the Allies insisting on possession thereof.

#### THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

The feeling regarding the European situation is more optimistic. There are already good results from the conversations of the Ambassadors, though there will be cause for apprehension if the Peace Conference is unsuccessful. The chief anxiety of the diplomats is in connection with Adrianople, on which both Turkey and the Allies are equally firm.

#### SERBIA AND AUSTRIA.

The Serbian Premier in an interview is reported as saying: "We have attempted vainly to reach an understanding with Austria regarding a port on the Adriatic. We now leave the decision to the Powers."

#### CHRISTIANS MASSACRED.

The Turks have massacred a number of Christians in Mytilene. The Greeks are pursuing the Turks after a battle in the village of Petros.

#### KING FERDINAND.

King Ferdinand, who is touring in Thrace and Macedonia, has arrived at Salonika where he has been photographed with King George of Greece. King Ferdinand said his visit was merely a tourist.

#### TURKISH LOSSES.

An Athens telegram states that the Turkish Admiral Halil Pasha, and four officers, were killed on board the flagship during the fight in the Dardanelles on the 18th inst. The battleship was practically destroyed and the three other Turkish ships were severely damaged.

Lloyd's Agent at Port Said reports that part of the Turkish fleet was forced to run ashore near the Dardanelles, owing to damage sustained in the fight with the Greek fleet.

#### LUNCHEON TO DELEGATES.

The luncheon given by the Lord Mayor at the Mansion House to the Peace delegates was attended by a brilliant assemblage. Mr. Asquith, in the course of a speech, emphasised that he was not ashamed to call himself an optimist.

The various delegates made complimentary speeches, in which they expressed themselves as hopeful of the success of the mission.

#### TWO POINTS SETTLED.

It is officially announced that the conference of Ambassadors has recommended to the Governments of the Great Powers the granting of autonomy to Albania with provisions guaranteeing Servian commercial access to the Adriatic; and that the Governments have agreed in principle in both points.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE BRIDGEMAN AFFAIR.

#### STRONG WORDS.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

Upon a motion to adjourn the House of Commons in order that the Bridgeman affair might be discussed, Lord Charles Bessborough said Vice-Admiral Bridgeman was notoriously unfriendly to him and objected to him (Lord Charles Bessborough) being an Admiral of the Fleet. He (the speaker) took up the case because a most anxious feeling prevailed in the Fleet at Mr. Churchill's methods, he having already dismissed four Sea Lords. He asked whether Vice-Admiral Bridgeman was offered the Cross of the Order of the Bath or elevation as Admiral of the Fleet if he kept silent on Mr. Churchill's policy, which was one of bribes and threats, while he assumed both executive and administrative functions and even took charge during the manoeuvres.

#### A HEATED REPLY.

Mr. Churchill replied with some heat. He said Lord Charles Bessborough had made a number of most gross insinuations, hoping to disgust the public mind. He reiterated that Vice-Admiral Bridgeman's resignation was due to health alone, and said he knew of no differences on export matters apart from the ordinary discussions between his colleagues. He had no recollection of his threatening to resign, and repeated that Vice-Admiral Bridgeman, with the highest zeal, exhausted himself in his duties. He wrote to his colleagues on November 25th saying: "I was depressed about his health after two attacks of bronchitis in two months on top of appendicitis. Mr. Churchill added that he felt that he would not be doing his duty to keep Vice-Admiral Bridgeman at the helm in these serious times, and he was satisfied that he had consulted the highest interests of the Navy and only done his duty."

Mr. Bessborough said he understood that Vice-Admiral Bridgeman quite recently threatened to resign if Mr. Churchill insisted on carrying out his views.

Mr. Churchill replied: "He never made such a statement to me."

#### DISENDOWMENT.

#### A NARROW MAJORITY.

London, December 20.  
A Unionist amendment to the Disendowment proposals of the Welsh Church Bill was defeated by a majority of 55, some Liberals voting with the minority.

### THE LATE MR GEORGE PAYNE.

It will be learned with regret, says the "Shanghai Mercury," that Mr. Geo. Payne, of Messrs. S. Moutrie & Company, who only returned from home a little over a week ago, died at the General Hospital Shanghai on the 15th inst. The deceased, who leaves a widow to mourn his loss, was extremely popular and had hosts of friends. He joined Messrs. Moutrie and Co. in February, 1902, coming from the works of Messrs. John Brin-mead and Sons, London. On arriving here he took up the duties of piano-forte tuner, and for some years was in charge of the company's factory, his brother being the company's manager at Hongkong. The deceased, who had been ill for some time, was taken to hospital from the factory, but nothing could be done for him. Great sympathy is felt for his bereaved widow.

## TELEGRAMS.

### FOOD TAXES.

#### THE UNIONIST DISSENSIONS.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

The Liberal newspapers are still making a prominent feature of the dissensions in the Unionist Party on the subject of food taxes.

A feature of an article in the "Liverpool Courier," is a statement, which declares that the Unionist party is drifting to destruction, and demanding that a Conference should be called in London, Lancashire or Yorkshire of the leaders on the subject of the Referendum.

#### AUSTRALIAN VIEWS.

Messages from Australian politicians on the subject of Mr. Bonar Law's suggestion for a Colonial Conference are published.

Mr. Andrew Fisher (Prime Minister) says: "There is insufficient interest here for the suggestion to be treated too seriously."

Mr. Deakin says: "Comment at this distance would be premature."

Mr. Hughes, the Attorney-General, says: "The idea is very much in the clouds."

Senator Millen says: "The proposal to project one part of the Empire into the domestic affairs of another part is only approachable with caution, bordering on apprehension."

#### A SUSPICION.

The "Times" publishes long dispatches from its Canadian and New Zealand correspondents on the subject of Mr. Bonar Law's pronouncement. These show that there is a general agreement that each part of the Empire must settle its fiscal policy for itself. In Canada it is recognised that the Unionist leaders have shifted their position, and there is a suspicion that their chief motive is to escape domestic difficulties.

## PRESS AND CHRISTMAS.

London, December 20.

For the first time in the history of the Press, no newspapers will be published in London on Christmas Day.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, 22nd December, 4th Sunday in Advent. Holy Communion (8.15 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) Responses, Ferial; Venite, Dye; Psalms, Crotch; Benedictus, Hopkins, Elvey; Hopkins; Benedictus, Langdon; Hymns, 353, 193, and 50. Evensong (5.45 p.m.) (Full Choir). Response, Ferial; Psalms, of the 22nd evening; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis; Wesley in F; Anthem: "It is high time." Barby; Hymns, 52 and 49. Sevenfold Amen.

St. Peter's Church, West Point, Sunday, December 22nd, 1912. Morning Prayer and Sermon 11 a.m. Singing of Christmas Carols 6 p.m. Holy Communion 7.15 p.m. Gospel Meeting at Seamen's Institute 8 p.m.—Christmas Day. Morning Prayer and Sermon 11 a.m.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, Preacher, Rev. C. H. Hickling 11 a.m. Worship. Hymns 605, 510, 545, and 534; Anthem, Subject "The Child and the Man." 4 p.m. Children's Service. 5.30 p.m. Singing at choice. 8 p.m. Worship. Hymns 339, 334, and 335. Christmas Carols, Subject, "Last Four Things, Heaven."

## TELEGRAMS.

### GERMAN AEROPLANES.

#### NATIONAL SUBSCRIPTION.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

A total of £350,000 sterling has been subscribed towards the German National Aeroplane Fund.

#### SERVICE FOR MEN.

Eloquent Sermon by Bishop Taylor Smith.

The best way to make the most of life, according to the Right Rev. Bishop Taylor Smith, Chaplain General to the Forces, who preached to a large congregation of men in St. John's Cathedral last evening, is to obtain a closer knowledge of God. That in effect was the whole tenor of a very eloquent sermon that the Rev. gentleman preached at a service that was exceedingly well attended. The singing was led by a male choir and the service was conducted by the Chaplain to the Cathedral, the Rev. V.H.C. Moyle, Bishop of London giving the benediction at the close. There was also a good number of other clergy present.

Speaking without a text, the Bishop remarked that there was nothing more sad than a broken friendship, as set out in the early pages of the Bible, a broken friendship that found an echo in every human heart and was the direct outcome of sin. Sin, he said, was not only the forerunner of suffering but it was also that which separated. They had examples of it on every side—man and wife, master and servant, employer and employee, sin and separation—those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder. Life was once worth living.

Dealing with the temptations of men, the preacher went on to say that while at home public opinion and the thought of what sin would bring to his family name, which he said it was banished, seemed almost impossible because of the influence of hearth and home, when the Suez Canal was passed there seemed to be a new world of morals, as if truth had changed, and man was shut out of his own happiness.

After dwelling on the sin of intemperance the Bishop said: "The time will come when the angel will not ask whether you are high born or low born, but whether you are new born." He knew that men found it difficult to think of the divinity of Christ. He told a story of how he pointed it out to a stockbroker and said that one had to live with a man to know him, but in the Bible they had four men living with Christ and what was the verdict? They said: "Never man spoke like this man." He went about doing good, blessing little children, lifting up fallen women, encouraging men to be true of heart. He went about the whole purpose of his life being to do good. That was Christ's record of manliness.

The preacher went on to speak of a man's realitude of living and remarked: "You business men of Hongkong ask Him to look into your ledger and what He cannot smile upon, what He cannot bless, clear it out of your books." He was glad to hear that they were about to start a new branch of the Church of England's Men's Society, a civilian branch. He asked them to be careful not to take anybody in, except only those prayerful men who were prepared to do the small duty that membership imposed on them—to pray for each other daily. The Society, he claimed, was one of the largest forces in the Church of England at home.

Throughout the address was listened to with great attention and the singing of the hymns was most hearty.

## TELEGRAMS.

### CAPE-CAIRO RAILWAY.

#### BOUNDARY REVISION.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

The "Daily Express" states that the revision of the boundaries of British East Africa and the Belgian Congo will be announced shortly. It gives British East Africa a strip 60 by 30 miles west of the Mfumbiri mountains, thus preparing the way for the completion of the Cape to Cairo railway.

## THE FREIGHT MARKET.

Messrs. Linke and Rogge's Freight Circular dated Hongkong, 21st December, stated:—

The freight market has remained very firm all round and quite a fair amount of chartering has come to pass during the fortnight under review. Some orders especially for coal trips down South are left unfilled owing to charterers, who have been accustomed to see a declining market by the end of the year, being unwilling to yield to owners' demands. Their repeated attempts to lower the rates however, have so far proved fruitless. There is further demand for tonnage on Tinnian for prompt and forward delivery, but prompt boats are difficult to secure, and owing to their scarcity a few vessels have been able to obtain a splendid rate in recharter.

The North reports a quiet fortnight partly owing to dearth of enquiry and partly owing to scarcity of steamers. All outsideers' coming off timecharter have to move to the South to be delivered and the liners are busy with their regular trades.

Saigon/Hongkong:—Cargo has been offering a little more freely, and most of the regular liners are obtaining full cargoes. A further demand for tonnage has led to the fixture of an "outsider" at 15 cents per picul, but the old grain is now nearly exhausted.

New Crop:—Rains having again set in, it is hoped that crops which suffered from dry weather in some districts will recover. The harvest will be somewhat late, but autumn is expected to be an average one. Rice exports during this season amount to total 528,889 tons compared with 643,602 tons for same period last year. Quotation stands for December/January shipment at \$5.35 per picul f.o.b.

Saigon/Philippines:—There has been no inquiry whatever. The new rice crop is now being harvested and is in excellent condition. Already some small lots of new crop are being sold, so that there is not likely to be much demand for Saigon rice during the next few months.

Saigon/Java:—The order already mentioned in our last report was taken out of the market by the s.s. "Derwent" at 31 cents, which vessel had previously been fixed from Java to Hongkong, on private terms.

Saigon/Singapore:—A charter of a steamer has been arranged at \$8500.—In sum, the rate working out at about 18 cents per picul.

Bangkok:—Regular liners are well employed, rates having advanced to 35 cents "liner terms."—There is some enquiry after "outside" tonnage, but no business seems to have been done up to the time of writing.

Daly/Canton:—After the closing of Newohwang, regular liners have been chartered to load from Daly and Chefoo to Canton, usual part-cargoes at 31 cents per picul.

## TELEGRAMS.

### INSURANCE ACT.

#### THE DOCTORS' DECISION.

Reuter's  
[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

The voting of the doctors upon the question of accepting Mr. Lloyd George's final offer to work under the Insurance Act has been concluded, and the result is 11,309 against and 2,422 in favour.

The Radical papers point out that 28,000 pledged themselves last February against working under the Insurance Act; hence, the significance of the latest vote is the number of abstentions.

## SUMMONS AMENDED.

At the Marine Magistrate's Court this morning before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., Fong Chan Shing, accountant on a licensed trading junk, was charged with unlawfully disobeying the orders of the Harbour-Master, by anchoring his boat to the west of Prosperine Rocks on December 20, 1912.

The summons was amended, the name of Mu Fak being inserted as defendant. He was fined \$5.

Kwok Yee, a boatwoman was charged with carrying 4 persons in excess by her boat licence. She was fined \$5.

Railway Facilities.  
Special railway arrangements for the Christmas and New Year holidays are notified in our advertisement columns.

Quarry Lettings.  
Particulars of letting by tender of certain granite quarries in the Island of Hongkong, and Kowloon and New Territories are published in the Government Gazette.

Special Police for White Slave Traffic.  
In view of the increased power of arrest proposed to be conferred on the police by the Criminal Law Amendment Bill, which has now passed through the House of Commons, the "Times" understands that the police authorities have constituted a special staff to carry out the detective work which will be thrown on Scotland Yard when the measure becomes law. The officers have been selected from among those who have had experience of the kind required, who have, in addition, knowledge of foreign languages.

Chinese in America.  
A recent observer of conditions in China, writing to an American paper, says that the effect upon Chinese life and character exercised by the Chinese, who have lived or who now live in America, is difficult to measure. It is steadily and not very slowly altering the whole situation. It is easy to understand how this movement, when once it has got under way, will spread in an ever widening circle. Perhaps nothing has occurred in recent years that will have a more profound effect upon the history of mankind than the coming of the Chinese to America.

His Excellency the Governor, has given his assent to the Boycott and other Ordinances.

New rules, in substitution of those hitherto existing regarding the appointment of British officers in the Government Gazette.

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### MR. WHITELAW REID.

#### ABBEY MEMORIAL SERVICE.

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[Service to the "Telegraph."]  
London, December 20.

An impressive memorial service to the late Mr. Whitelaw Reid, U.S. Ambassador, was held in Westminster Abbey. On the coffin were wreaths sent by Their Majesties the King and Queen.

The congregation was composed of a most brilliant assembly, including members of the Cabinet, members of the House of Lords and of the House of Commons.

Prince Arthur of Connaught represented the King.

## NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

## TELEGRAMS.

### THE NEWS CONDENSED.

A massacre of Christians by the Turks is reported from Mytilene.

A sum of £350,000 has been subscribed to the German National Aeroplane Fund.

Over 11,000 doctors have voted against the Insurance Act offer and 2,400 in favour thereof.

The Unionist food taxation policy still arouses much comment in England and the Dominions.

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## LOCAL.

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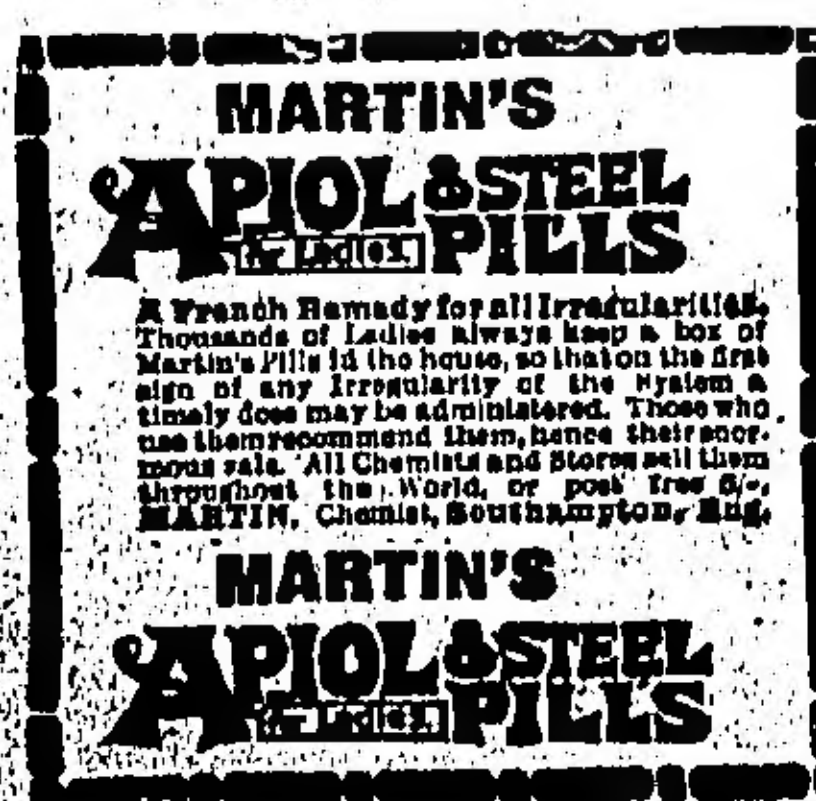
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its capacity for work are growing  
daily, and there are very evident  
signs that, possibly within the  
next two or three years, wire-  
less systems will be cheaper in  
operation than cables. Gradu-  
ally the faults attached to wire-  
less operation are being elimi-  
nated, and we may eventually  
hope to see them, save in very  
extreme circumstances, obviated  
altogether. The advent of wire-  
less will be welcomed in this  
colony not only as a convenience  
to the vast volume of shipping  
which frequents the port but  
because in course of time an  
efficient service and competition  
with the cable companies will  
tend to cheapen telegraphic  
charges. These charges have  
been and are still a severe  
handicap to the promotion of  
business.

China Mail.

The Boycott and the Ordinance.

The more we ponder over the  
present boycott, the more are we  
inclined to come back to our  
original view, expressed in this  
column some little time ago, name-  
ly, that the Chinese opposition or  
boycott of the cars is merely a  
spontaneous expression of their  
disapproval of the Tramway Com-  
pany's action and that there is no  
real organization behind it. Some  
people apparently find a certain  
fascination in looking for all sorts  
of out-of-the-way reasons for the  
continuance of the fix in  
which the Tramway Com-  
pany find themselves, and make  
confusion worse confounded by  
their conjectures on political in-  
trigues emanating from Canton,  
the Machiavellian machinations  
of unscrupulous guilds, wily in-  
fluencers and so forth; while,  
who knows? the real reason of all  
the trouble lies in the direction  
of no such subtleties but is more  
likely to be found on considera-  
tion of obvious facts. If  
our view is correct, and we are  
more than ever convinced that it  
is, what is the remedy? So long  
as there is no disorder, the  
Boycott Ordinance remains in-  
operative; but that will not pull  
the Tramway Company out of  
their present trouble.

Daily Press.

Chinese Policy.

It would seem, from the latest  
news of the renewed negotiations  
between the Chinese Government  
and the Sixty-Five million Group,  
that a loan of twenty-five millions  
sterling is in a fair way of being  
arranged on a basis mutually  
satisfactory to all concerned, ex-  
cepting, perhaps, Mr. Crisp. The  
fact is the more interesting in  
view of a very lengthy telegram  
sent a fortnight ago to the Presi-  
dent by Dr. Sun Yat-sen. Ac-  
cording to the précis of the  
telegram which appeared in the  
Chinese Press at the  
time, Dr. Sun Yat-sen was repre-  
sented as counselling the Presi-  
dent to enter upon hostilities  
against Russia and to make a  
large issue of Government paper  
money in order to supply "the  
sinews of war." The report was  
so palpably absurd that we re-  
garded it as pure invention care-  
fully calculated to feed the war  
fever from which the Cantonese  
especially appeared to be suffer-  
ing so badly. We now learn  
that Dr. Sun Yat-sen did in  
fact offer advice on the subject  
to the President in a tele-  
gram running to many thousands  
of words, but the message scarce-  
ly bears the construction given to  
it by the précis that came under  
our notice a fortnight ago. The  
sum and substance of Dr. Sun's  
lengthy message is: "Make  
your financial arrangements first,  
and then fight Russia, if neces-  
sary, to assert China's sovereignty  
in Mongolia." If this is the  
policy to be preached by the  
principal leaders of public  
opinion in China, it can only serve  
to make the Sixty-Five Group all  
the more cautious concerning the  
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## GENERAL NEWS.

## Consular Appointments.

The King has been pleased to appoint—Senior Doctor Don P. A. Delgado as Consul-General of Venezuela at London; Senior Don S. Villalaz as Consul-General of Panama at Liverpool; Cavaliero S. Carrara as Consul-General of Italy at Malta for the Maltese Group; Monsieur H. Martin as Consul-General of Switzerland at Montreal for the Dominion of Canada; and Senhor A. Casanova as Consul-General of Portugal at Bombay.

## Bishop Brindle's Jubilee.

The golden jubilee of the priesthood of Mgr. Brindle, D.S.O., the Roman Catholic Bishop of Nottingham, falls on December 27, and arrangements are being made in the diocese to celebrate the occasion in a suitable manner a few days later. It will be remembered that the Bishop saw a good deal of war service as an Army chaplain. He has, in addition to the D.S.O., the British medals for the Sudan and Egyptian campaigns, the Egyptian medals for Egypt and the Sudan, the Egyptian bronze star, the 4th Class of the Osmanieh, and the 3rd Class of the Medjidieh.

## Synthetic Rubber.

At the third day's session of the South Indian Association on December 2, Dr. J. L. Simonson, Professor of Chemistry at the Presidency College, Madras, delivered an interesting lecture on "The Production of Synthetic Rubber." In conclusion, he said:—"Our knowledge of the chemistry of the coagulation of latex is very small, yet if we desire a uniform product, this process is the first which must be carefully studied. The problems still to be investigated are legion, and the money spent on research will be repaid many times over. Without research, the future for plantation rubber will be very black." Mr. W. E. Smith, Professor of Chemistry in the Presidency College, said that rubber seeds had a great future in Ceylon, and that they were a paying part of the rubber-planting industry.

## Indian Public Services Commission.

The first meeting of the Indian Public Services Commission will be held in Madras on or about Dec. 20, and the taking of evidence will begin on or about January 8. Mr. Russell Scott, of the Admiralty, has been appointed Joint Secretary of the Commission, and since the end of October has been associated with his colleague, Mr. Montagu Butler, I.C.S., Deputy-Secretary to the Government of India, in the Home Department, in working out preliminary details at the India Office. Lord Islington, the Chairman of the Commission, will arrive in Madras in the last week of the year.

## Signatures to the Ulster Covenant.

The following summary of the number of signatures to the Ulster Covenant was issued in Ireland last month:—Number of signatures in Ulster, men, 211,206; women, 228,991; number of signatures in other places—men, 11,182; women, 5,055—total, men, 227,368; women, 234,046. Total number of men and women (over the age of 16 years) being Ulster-born and loyal subjects of his Gracious Majesty King George V., who have pledged themselves in solemn covenant to stand by one another in defending their cherished position of equal citizenship in the United Kingdom—471,414.

## Death of Mrs. Thomas Hardy.

Mrs. Hardy, wife of Mr. Thomas Hardy, died at Dorchester, on November 27. She had been failing for some time, but her illness was not regarded seriously, and the end was quite unexpected. She was Miss Emma Gifford, daughter of Mr. J. A. Gifford and niece of Archdeacon Gifford, and she was married to Mr. Hardy in 1874, the year in which he published "Far from the Madding Crowd." She tried her pen at writing short stories, sketches, and occasional verses, and a favourite pastime of hers was water-colour sketching from nature, especially Wexsex scenery. In former years Mr. Hardy, like her husband, greatly enjoyed cycle exercises, and was, indeed, among the first women cyclists in the country. Mr. Hardy has been greatly shaken by his sudden bereavement, but his health is quite good.

## ROUND THE SHOPS.

## The Christmas Displays Described.

All the shop windows have now assumed the attire suitable to the festive season, and the results are well worth seeing. The notes which follow give, in compact form, hints as to the leading lines stocked by the various firms and especially suited to the season. They should be found useful by our readers.

## THE DAIRY FARM LTD.

So successfully do the Dairy Farm Ltd., advertise, that it is practically safe to assert, that had they no shop premises, they would not suffer much. The fact that they have one of the cleanest and freshest looking stores in the City is a clear indication of the care devoted to the goods that they sell. Hams, in nice white cloths, may be seen, of a quality which is the hall mark of the firm's reputation, bacon of undisputed excellence, German sausages of all kinds, prepared under expert supervision, and all the savouries required for the average as well as the best table can be had at very satisfactory prices. As for butter and cheese, the quality of these commodities is so well known that further mention of them would be superfluous.

## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO.

The large shop display of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co. is always well worth a visit, and more so at Christmas time. A special feature is undoubtedly the window containing the familiar globular green bottles of "Ye Old English Lavender Water," a perfume which is known in many parts of the world and widely appreciated. Of course other perfumes are also shown but special attention should be paid to the Lavender. Tobacco in all its many and pleasing forms may be found in the adjacent window where the sorted rows of various coloured tins draw the eye of the passer-by to the varieties of tobaccos that are supplied by the firm.

## WILLIAM POWELL AND CO.

During Christmas week Messrs. William Powell and Co. are keeping their premises open until six o'clock, and the windows will be especially illuminated so that the splendidly arranged goods can be seen to advantage. In the right hand window there is a fine array of presents suitable for adults, and their usefulness shows that the selection of presents has not been made haphazard, and that the staff has given plenty of thought to the setting out of the window. In the left hand window all the wonders of the land of the dreamland of children are exhibited, and, as the babies gaze into the dazzling collection, no adult mind will be capable of picturing the effect on the infant mind. The children of the Colony are in for a treat at Messrs. Powell's.

## MCAEWEN FRICKEL &amp; CO.

No table at Christmas appears complete without decanters of good wines or spirits, even if the latter are only used for illuminating the Christmas pudding with the blue flame that reminds one that it is the family dinner of the year. Messrs. Mac Ewen, Frickel and Co. are the people to purchase these necessities from. It is a little late in the day to recommend this firm to the people of Hongkong now, as they have been looked upon as amongst the front rank of wine and spirit merchants for many years. Their trusted wines and aged spirits are par excellence and if one requires a hamper to make up their list of Christmas purchases one can safely leave the matter in the hands of Messrs. Mac Ewen, Frickel and Co. who will assist them in making a selection that will give satisfaction.

## LANE, CRAWFORD &amp; CO.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. have so much display area at their disposal that it is by no means easy to give anything but a general idea of what this enterprising firm is offering to the public. In one window the effigy of Cardinal Wolsey calls attention to the fact that Wolseys for underwear can be bought inside, while adjacent to it there is a show of gloves to suit all tastes from the very fashionable yellow to the quieter sueded and browns. Every man likes a fancy waistcoat out of pattern. Messrs. Lane, Crawford show a selection which hints that

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## BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO COMPANY.

A call at the British American Tobacco Co.'s offices elicited a whole wealth of information for the Christmas buyer, whose task is rendered all the more easy by reason of the fact that the company's goods are obtainable at practically every tobacco store in the colony. Smokers of Egyptian cigarettes have their attention called to the Boston Rouge and Felucca brands of Messrs. Maspero Freres who by their cigarettes are known throughout the world. Three Castle Magnums and the Garrick cigarette never fail to appeal to the lovers of the Virginian kind, while the new "Embassy" cigarette, now introduced to Hongkong in batches of 50, can be had of all tobacconists. For pipe smokers the Embassy mixture is proving most popular, while the Garrick has a reputation of long standing.

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### THE BOYCOTT.

Up to the time of writing, the Chinese community refuse to be enticed by the very generous offer of free rides on the tramways. With this fact before us, we would like to know how it is that a boycott such as the present one, could continue for so long, and, what is more, be so systematically observed by all the classes of the native population, were there no "organisation" at the back of it all.

This boycott is well organized; this "organization" will be broken, whether gracefully or not will depend on the organizers and their supporters, and the orders issued from their headquarters, be they here or elsewhere.

The boycott must be broken, will be broken.

How is it possible for this "organization" to compel such obedience to its mandates? By threats of a sound thrashing and even of death. It is four that does it, fear; for nothing else will induce a peace loving Chinese community to support a cause with which they have but little sympathy, and we venture to say that by far the larger portion of the Chinese population in this Colony would to-day be glad to feel at liberty to ride in the trams, were it not for fear, and were the word passed to them from the proper quarter that it was safe to do so. That is the point; from the proper quarter.

Fear; what is it? It is that all potent factor, so prominent in the lives of all, that some one has been impelled to say for us, "There is no Hell but Fear."

### THE UNIONIST "SPLIT."

The speech which Mr. Bonar Law, leader of the Unionist party made at Ashton-under-Lyne on the tariff question is of far more than passing significance. It was a distinctly new policy that he enunciated, or rather hinted at, and inasmuch as it diverges sharply from the very concrete proposals advanced some seven years ago by Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, and since adopted by the Unionist party as a whole, it need occasion no surprise that a very considerable division of opinion has manifested itself among the speaker's followers. We say "hinted at" because a close examination of the utterance will show that Mr. Bonar Law himself does not definitely pledge himself one way or another on the matter. To be specific, his speech was not without a paradoxical element, for whereas he opens with a declaration that when the Unionists are returned to power they "do not intend to impose food duties," he follows this up with a qualified observation that "if the Colonies do not desire such an arrangement, there will be no food duties," and further says that if any readjustment be necessary, he hopes it will only touch wheat.

It would be well here to recall, in brief outline, the main points of Mr. Chamberlain's proposals which, as we have stated, have up till now been regarded as part and parcel of the Unionist programme—the main plank, in fact. These proposals were that a duty of two shillings a quarter be imposed on foreign corn and flour, a five per cent. duty on foreign meat and dairy produce, and, with certain reservations, a ten per cent. duty on foreign manufactured goods. On the other hand, it was proposed that there be certain remissions in the existing duties on tea, sugar, coffee and cocoa. That the policy here outlined involved the imposition of food duties, is apparent; and it is equally clear that the suggestions now advanced by Mr. Bonar Law constitute a fundamental divergence therefrom. We are well aware that Unionists were ever on the alert to deny that Mr. Chamberlain's tariff proposals were synonymous with the taxation of food, and in their eagerness to prove that all consideration had been given to the consuming public they went to point to the fact that the scheme also provided for the exemption from duty of maize and bacon, the latter forming the food of some of the poorest of the population and the former being a raw material to the farmers, who feed their stock on it. But this was a double-edged argument in actuality, for if it be admitted that the classes referred to would feel the effect of a duty imposed on maize and bacon, then obviously they would also be affected by the proposed duty on corn and flour. The exemptions specified were, in fact, tantamount to an admission that the consuming public would feel any taxation on the necessities of life, as they obviously would, despite the ingenious arguments of the Tariff Reform school. There was another point on which Mr. Bonar Law struck out on an opposite line to his predecessor in the Unionist leadership, namely in his objection to the adoption of the Referendum, this attitude contrasting with Mr. Balfour's definite pledge given on December 1, 1910, that any Unionist Tariff Reform Bill, should be submitted to Referendum before enactment.

With the above points in mind, it was inevitable that there should be, among his own party, dissentients from the new policy put forward by Mr. Bonar Law, and it is noteworthy that the "Times" leads the opposition thereto in strongly expressed terms. To the unbiased, it looks very like as if a certain section of the party were doing a little "side-stepping" on this awkward food taxation question. We are sorry that this should appear to be so, for Unionism has already suffered sufficiently from the indecision of its leaders. Nothing can do the party greater harm than fickleness, and nothing can do it greater good than the pronouncement of a clear, outspoken declaration of policy, altogether free from ambiguities. Believing this, we cannot fall in with the attitude of men like Lord Curzon when they declare that the party could be better engaged than "in discussing whether a tax should be paid on barley, corn and oats in the years to come." One thing is sure, namely, that this is what the electorate will want to know; and if the Unionists have not made up their minds before the next General Election, it will assuredly go hard with them at the polls.

### The Wireless Scheme.

The news that tenders are to be invited for the installation in Hongkong of a five Kilowatt wireless installation has been received with lively satisfaction in shipping and commercial circles. The matter has so long been recognised as of paramount importance and has been so largely discussed, that it is unnecessary, at this date, to point to the actual need for such an installation. The lower-power station, it appears, is not to interfere with Hongkong's participation in the Empire scheme of long-distance installations, and there is no reason why it should. The first is essentially a commercial station; the second is not; and if the new scheme is less ambitious than was anticipated some time ago, it is, at any rate, a deal better than nothing at all. It is a pity, nevertheless, that permission was not granted by the Home Authorities a year or so ago. It could have been no more dangerous than now, neither could it have been more objectionable. It would have saved the Hongkong Government the cost of the plant and installation, for the reason that a leading firm here was prepared to present to the Colony free of cost, the necessary plant and to erect the same on a suitable site to be provided by the Colony.

Education in the Colony. In the midst of all this boycott strife it is a relief to turn aside to the contemplation of some of the speeches made at the prize distributions in the various schools of the Colony. The Governor threw in a remark at one of these the other day which every Hongkong Briton will cordially endorse. It was to the effect that, in the colonies, we are apt to pay too much attention to educating natives and too little to teaching our own people. As things are at present there are many Hongkong parents who feel obliged to send their children home to be educated (and many more, who, having children at home, will not bring them out here) simply because an exclusively British better class school does not exist in the Colony. Ample provision is made for the sons of Chinese; then why not for those of Britishers?

Education and Fads. And talking of education reminds us that, nowadays, there seems to be as much faddism and quackery in the scholastic world as in the religious and the medical. The form of education which put backbone, refinement and breadth of views into the British middle and upper classes—a good grounding in classics and litera-

ture, with reasonable attention to mathematics—has given place to a topsy-turvy state of affairs wherein the importance of mathematics and the physical sciences is magnified out of all proportion. The modern secondary-school boy wastes his time in a splendidly (but often inadequately) fitted laboratory, and yet can't write a decent English letter. He has a smattering of geometrical drawing, physiology and hygiene (save the mark!), yet is sublimely ignorant of his own language. He has a dim notion that there was once a language called Latin, but his knowledge of it, and his realisation that modern English has any connection therewith, are decidedly minus quantities. In course of time he will become so highly educated that he will have no use for education at all.

### DAY BY DAY.

#### Christmas Vacation.

The offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Christmas Vacation which begin on the 24th instant and terminates on the 1st January, 1913, (both days inclusive), except on Public Holidays when the offices will be entirely closed.

Union Church Pastorate. The Church Committee have received advice that the Reverend J. Kirk Macdonald has accepted the pastorate of Union Church, Hongkong. The reverend gentleman, who has been for 20 years a Congregational minister in the Manchester district, will leave England in February, entering upon pastoral duties here in March next.

"Court Cards." Mr. Edgar Warwick is confident that his production of "Court Cards, and their Joker," which will appear at the Theatre Royal on December 31st, will prove most amusing to the theatre going members of the Colony. Miss Maude Fane, as the Queen of Hearts, is said to be most captivating and Mr. Warwick himself, as the Joker, has a great reputation as a keen humourist.

Christmas Mail. Enquiry at the Post Office this morning elicited the statement that the Christmas mail that arrived on Thursday and was delivered yesterday was quite normal, about fifteen hundred parcels in all arriving. It is expected that the English mail that is due to arrive on Thursday week will be much heavier, for there have been number of people who have been advised from home of parcels en route which did not come in this last delivery.

### DAY BY DAY.

He who wants to do a great deal of good at once will never do any.

#### Arrived, Back.

Mr. P. Soffietti arrived back by the s.s. Singan from Haiphong to-day.

#### Steering Passengers.

There were 316 Chinese and 36 Hindu steering passengers from Vancouver by the Empress of India to-day.

#### Wakasa Maru's Cargo.

The s.s. Wakasa Maru brought down from Kobe 1,800 tons of cargo for Hongkong, and 3,500 for through transit.

#### Hongkong Christian Union.

The Rev. T. W. Pearce will speak at the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union at St. Paul's College on Monday next at 5.30 p.m.

#### Body Found.

A Chinese male child aged one year has been found on the foreshore at Tai Kok Tsui. Death was apparently due to natural causes.

#### Returned to the Colony.

Mr. H. T. Richardson, of the C. P. R. Company, arrived to-day by the Empress of India, after a trip home, being accompanied by his wife.

#### Arrivals.

Among the passengers arriving by the Empress of India to-day were Mr. and Mrs. W. O. D. Turner, from Yokohama, and Mr. E. R. Hynd, from Shanghai.

#### Sudden Death.

A youth aged 17 years, died suddenly at 93, Praya East, yesterday, and the body has been removed to the mortuary. Death was apparently due to natural causes.

#### Cadets' Successes.

It is notified that Mr. N. L. Smith and Mr. G. R. Sayer, cadets, passed their final examination in Cantonese on 8th November, 1912.

#### Truck Accident.

A coolie has been removed to the hospital from the Yau-mai district suffering from injuries caused by being run over by a truck. He apparently slipped and the truck ran over his leg.

#### Gamblers.

Sergeant Gerrard prosecuted seven men before Mr. Hazeldan, at the Police Court, this morning, for gambling at 16, Cross Street. They were each fined \$3, or in default seven days.

#### Kailan Mining Administration.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 7th December, amounted to 38,073.36 tons and the sales during the period, to 32,056.09 tons.

#### At Home.

Lady May was "at home" at Government House yesterday afternoon when about two hundred and fifty guests put in an appearance. A very interesting address was delivered by the Right Rev. Bishop Taylor Smith, Chaplain General to the Forces.

#### Interesting Visitor.

The Rev. E. B. Berry B. A., Vicar of Emmanuel Church, Plymouth, is paying a visit to the colony and will preach to-morrow evening at St. Peter's Church, West Point, at 6.15 o'clock when he would like to meet as many old Plymouth friends as possible.

#### Empress Boat Goes Alongside.

The C. P. R. s.s. Empress of India went alongside at Kowloon on her arrival to-day instead of taking up an anchorage. We understand that the reason for this unusual proceeding is that the ship has an exceptionally heavy cargo and that, in order to save time, she went directly to wharf No. 3. The Empress is to be overhauled prior to next steaming from Hongkong.

#### Victoria Theatre.

In addition to the talented Howard Sisters, who still maintain their remarkable popularity at the Victoria, Messrs. Ramos and Ramos have secured the services of Miss Nellie Maher, a pretty little Australian soubrette. Both she and the Howard Sisters received tremendous applause at each of their turns last night. Miss Maher should have a very successful season here. The films showing are exceedingly good and include "It is Written"—a powerful melodrama in three parts, and two splendid comedies—"A moonlight night" and "Seizure."

### THE BOYCOTT.

#### Yesterday's Chinese Commercial Union Meeting.

A meeting of Chinese was held yesterday at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in connection with the attitude which should be taken by the leading business men towards the agitators. About thirty merchants were present.

The Hon. Sir Kai Ho Kai made a lengthy and vigorous speech in which he urged the merchants to stand by the Government. The speech was well received and undoubtedly impressed all present. The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk C.M.G. was also powerful in his denunciations of the boycott-promoters, and pointed out that all present should insist on their employees' using the cars on every possible occasion.

A Chinese merchant who attended the meeting told a "Telegraph" representative that much discontent was felt among those present at so small an attendance. "Only about thirty people turned up," he said, "and we had been expecting a hundred or a hundred and fifty. Sir Kai Ho Kai's and Mr. Wei Yuk's speeches were excellent, but, with next to no one to listen to them one could not expect a first class result."

#### Another Interview.

Another Chinese merchant who was present at the meeting speaks most enthusiastically of Sir Kai Ho Kai's speech. The Chinese Commercial Union has, he informs us, published 30,000 copies of the Governor's recent speech to the Chinese, and has, in addition, issued special notices pointing out that the Chinese poor will themselves be the losers if the boycott continues. This gentleman gave it as his opinion that the cars will probably be well patronised to-morrow which, as the Winter Solstice, is a special holiday with the Chinese.

On the subject of the new ordinance, he said, "Of course it will hit the Chinese badly if only from the fact that, in taxed areas, rents will immediately be raised in order to meet the tax. We are very sorry to see so severe a law come into force though we realise fully the necessity of it. We are doing our very best to help the Government."

#### The Free Rides.

The Government have to-day issued a hand bill in Chinese announcing that free rides to Chinese are being given on the cars and that the tramway Company are justified in insisting in accepting only Hongkong money. It is early days to talk of the success or non-success of the plan for granting free rides to Chinese. Some of the cars this morning were nearly full—one or two having a couple of outside passengers as well; but these were the exception. In most cases not more than two or three Chinese passengers were travelling. Nearly every car has been carrying soldiers or police, and the line is well guarded at various points.

#### A Lively Scene.

We are informed that a disgraceful scene occurred early this morning when a Chinese attempted to get on one of the trams. The incident happened near the Corinthian Yacht Club, and the car was boarded by a number of Chinese who literally hauled the man from the car and then proceeded to pummel him lustily. Although whistles were blown, and Police Station No. 2 is only two blocks distant, it is stated that no policeman appeared. The man who was so roughly handled managed to drag himself up a side street, the mob of Chinese yelling and hooting all the time.

#### Shanghai Paper's Views.

It is gratifying to find that the attitude of the "Telegraph" towards the boycott is warmly endorsed by the "North China Daily News" in a recent leader. Our contemporary says:—The news that the Hongkong Government is taking drastic measures to put a stop to the boycott of the Tramway Company must be received with entire satisfaction. For upwards of three weeks, that is from about one week after the regulation against the use of any but Hongkong coinage in the trams and ferries had been put into force, the trams have been running practically empty of Chinese. The Star Ferry and Peak Tramway Com-

panies, although partners in the enactment of the obnoxious regulation, have been less affected, partly because the services which they supply are in the nature of being indispensable, partly because the passengers they carry sit in fixed stations, where money changing is more conveniently arranged than is possible in the case of a tram-car, which picks up its fares anywhere and everywhere. The street trams, however, are in some sort regarded as a luxury, and on them, accordingly, the full force of the boycott has fallen. In the initial stages some rowdiness occurred. This was put down without difficulty. But the mot d'ordre to boycott the trams had been passed round, and the Cantonese agitator, who is usually responsible for orders of this nature, has no difficulty in making himself obeyed. At the time when our Hongkong correspondent was writing the letter which we print to-day, it is plain that opinion in the Colony was disposed to be pessimistic. As the "Hongkong Telegraph" said recently "British punishments are just a laughing-matter to the man who has seen criminals slowly carved to pieces, beaten, burnt or starved to death." And in those circumstances the new determination of the Government will meet with all the warmer approval.

Not only does the Bill published on Saturday provide for heavy penalties in cases of undue and improper interference with, or hampering of, lawful business and commercial undertaking, but it empowers the Governor in Council to proclaim any area a boycotting district, and to levy a special rate for the compensation of persons damaged. The latter proviso reveals a sound appreciation of Chinese nature and of local conditions. "Among the poorer classes there is a fixed tendency to restrict movements to the particular district, eastern or western, of residence; so that there should be comparatively little difficulty fixing the source of troubles. The principle of holding the many responsible for the misdoings of the few is a simple adaptation of Chinese practice, which should at least be understood if not relished. And in conclusion it may be said that to make the malcontents pay for the damage which they conspire to inflict, without the cumbersome of police court proceedings, is far more likely to be effective than isolated instances of fining or imprisonment. It is, of course, easy to detect the strong hand of Sir Henry May in the Bill. His Excellency's record as Chief of Police is a fair indication that he will allow no trifling where questions of law and order are at stake, while the condition of Hongkong in recent months contains ample proof that the day of strong government does not come a day before it was needed. No injustice, as our correspondent's letter clearly shows, is likely to be done to the Chinese by vigorous measures to repress the boycott. Hongkong is British territory and its foreign occupants have a perfect right to demand that Hongkong coinage shall be used in payments made to them. That step has already been taken in the Government revenue departments and by some foreign firms. Nothing less was possible in view of the appallingly inchoate condition of Southern Chinese currency and the uncontrolled confusion wrought by the Canton mint.

On such considerations as these it is the more important to lay stress, in that it is not only from the Cantonese agitator that protests against the Hongkong Government's action may be expected. The interference of well-meaning but ill-instructed "human trains" is unfortunately far-reaching; and while it may be believed that Sir Henry May is prepared for censure in certain quarters, it is of the utmost moment that sentiment unrestrained by justice should not be allowed to weaken his administration. Since the beginning of the Revolution Hongkong has been regarded as an asylum for refugees of all classes, some, respectable Chinese fleeing from degradation; too many, ruffians and wastrels of the least desirable class. Not three weeks ago Mr. H. E. Pollock, in the debate of the Legislative Council on the Estimates, condemned the inadequacy of the twenty men by which the police force was to be increased, and it



must be confessed that the returns of crime in the colony give justice to the criticism. Coming to the boycott we find this curious impression apparently prevailing among the Chinese, that they can use the Colony at one and the same time as foreign territory and their own possession. Looked at from this point of view the Tramway Company's decision to accept only Hongkong money has something of the force of an official enactment. It is not just that the Company should lose by reason of a regulation which it has every right to enforce. But it is far more unjust that those who voluntarily enter the Colony should behave as if they were beyond its lawful requirements. In a sense, therefore, the new Bill may be looked upon as a general warning not less than a specific remedy, and as such we trust that the Chinese will have the good sense to accept it. At no time has firmness been more called for by those in power whether in Hongkong or in China than at the present. In other words, the Chinese are on their trial, to be judged by the lofty standard set up during the Revolution; and there should be no need to tell them how much they stand to lose in the eyes of the world by allowing themselves to be swayed by agitators and malcontents.

### EDUCATION IN HONGKONG.

New Rules for Kowloon and British Victoria Schools.

The following rules, in substitution of those hitherto existing regarding the Kowloon and Victoria British School, appear in the Government Gazette:—

1.—Admission to the schools is limited to children of European parentage: the Director of Education may if he thinks it desirable refuse any application for admission subject to appeal to the Governor whose decision shall be final.

2.—Boys over 12 years of age will not be admitted or allowed to remain at the Kowloon School.

3.—Application for admission must be made in the first instance to the Headmaster or Headmistress, at least one month before the desired date of admission.

4.—Fees are payable monthly and in advance, on the following scale:—For the first child of one family in attendance, Upper School, \$5; Lower School, \$3. For the second of two or more children of the same family in attendance together, \$4 and \$2. For the third of three or more children of the same family in attendance together, \$3 and \$2. Where children of the same family are attending both schools, the rules regulating the reduction of fees will be applied as if the children were all in attendance together at one of the schools.

5.—If a pupil commences attendance in the first fifteen days of the month fees for the whole month will be charged. Otherwise fees for one-half month only will be charged.

6.—Fees will not be charged during school vacations, nor for periods exceeding one month during which pupils are absent for good cause.

7.—No pupil may remain at the school while suffering from any infectious disease: nor may any pupil return to school after recovery from such disease, nor come from a house in which there is or has recently been infection, without a Medical Certificate stating that there is no danger of infection.

8.—The Headmaster or Headmistress may with the concurrence of the Director of Education decline to receive any pupils whose fees have not been paid, and may expel any pupil if such a course is considered advisable in the interests of the school: an appeal from such expulsion shall lie to the Governor whose decision shall be final.

### FIELD DAY.

Arrangements are being made for a Field Day in the neighbourhood of Fan Ling 29th. Instant when the Volunteer Reserves will be opposed to the Scouts, who will be in Camp for the annual training. The Reserves will proceed by train to Fan Ling on Sunday morning.

### INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS.

Discussion on the "Efficiency of the Propelling System."

There was a fair attendance of members and friends at the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, Hongkong, last night when the paper of Mr. J. S. Chapman on the efficiency of the propelling system was discussed. Very few of the members seemed eager to take any part in the discussion that was expected, many saying that they preferred to listen. Engineer Commander Rooms R. N., presided.

The Chairman in opening the discussion called attention to the different conditions surrounding the running of a tramp steamer and a naval vessel, and said that Mr. Chapman spoke more from the point of view of the tramp steamer with the Scotch boiler and the tube difficulties of the cylindrical boiler. In the Navy they always tried to get the maximum power at a minimum weight. The economy in this instance was different from that in the construction of other ships. If they got the same power as the other vessel on half the weight, they had all the greater margin to put something else in the ship. A warship had to carry some means of defence and if they got the power on half the weight they could get in one or two more twelve inch guns and the necessary ammunition for them, and they could perhaps carry more armour. It also meant that they could put in double power and then they had a greater speed, which was advantageous for getting away from the enemy or for scouting. When they came to discuss steam they found that those who had gone thoroughly into the valve question had often been dissatisfied that they could only get one-tenth of the steam generated converted into work. There was a great deal of improvement in the steam engine, though they only got a tenth into work and the engine of to-day was not a bad one. With the oil engine, which gave them thirty per cent, converted into work it looked much better but it was doing far worse on what it was possible for it to do than the steam engine, and that was a point one had to appreciate in reading a paper of that kind. A good tramp steamer engine working in good order was much better in relation to what it could do than the Diesel engine at the present time.

Mr. Elliott regretted that, having talent in that room, as they certainly had, they had not heard from many of them accounts of their experiences. Mr. Elliott contended that the oil engine had not the flexibility of the steam engine.

Mr. Thompson said that he was not a member of the Institution but asked leave to speak. This was granted him, and he said that Mr. Chapman had spoken of a river being utilised to drive a launch, but the river might not have enough energy to drive a sewing machine. Perhaps Mr. Chapman would get him out of the difficulty. At the present time it had nothing to do with driving a steam launch. Perhaps a river of mercury dropping from a height over falls would produce greater effect, and a river of kerosene less effect. There was no inherent virtue in the value of water. It was merely a weight dropping from a height and Mr. Chapman might give an explanation.

Mr. Chapman said that if a wheel was introduced into the current it did not matter whether it was water or kerosene or anything they liked, because by means of that current and wheel and utilising a pump and compressing air into a storage cylinder, they were utilising energy from that river. Supposing they had a large series of storage cylinders and into these cylinders the air was compressed, as long as the river was moving and as long as there was motion and the wheel was moving which accounted for compressed air being placed in the cylinder, and they utilised the turbine engine with an arm coupled to the propeller, they would be able to drive a launch (Applause).

After further discussion the meeting terminated.

### FIRM'S LOSSES.

Systematic Thefts from Hongkong Cotton Mills.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. Hazlewood, an elderly woman and two girls were charged with stealing a quantity of cotton yarn valued at \$14, the property of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company.

The two girls pleaded not guilty, but the old woman pleaded guilty.

Sergeant Gerrard said the company had lost about twenty bales of cotton within the last month or so. As there were many houses in Wanchoi where spinning was done, the thieves had no difficulty in disposing of the cotton. In the case in question the old woman was in the habit of taking food to the girls in a basket. Whilst the girls went out to eat she put the cotton into her basket and took small quantities out at a time. Although the girls were not so culpable as the woman, he thought they had guilty knowledge.

Mr. Palmer, who represented the Company, in reply to his Worship, said a great deal of stealing had been going on.

Mr. Hazlewood said in view of this fact, he would give a little heavier sentence than he would otherwise have done, and he hoped that it would act as a deterrent. He suggested that notices of the conviction should be posted in the mills. He sentenced the woman to two months' hard labour, and discharged the younger defendants.

### THE YARN MARKET.

Messrs Polishwalla and Kotwall, in their circular dated the 20th inst., state:—

Our last circular was dated 7th inst. per "Devanah."

During the past fortnight our market has been particularly dull, the dealers having very few orders from the interior, while there is an entire absence of speculative demand.

On the other hand, advices from Bombay indicate a very strong market, the level of prices there being much higher than our local quotations. That being so, and in view of the advance of American cotton, we see no prospect of prices giving way. In fact, given a fair country demand, our market is bound to fall in line with the higher prices ruling elsewhere.

In the meantime, we also with a quiet but steady market.

Total sales, 1,700 bales; unsold stocks, 14,000 bales, sold but undelivered in the godown and to arrive 40,000 bales.

Arrivals.—The mail str. Delta str. Rangoon Maru from Bombay, and str. Apear from Calcutta have brought in 6,700 bales for Hongkong, and 7,000 bales for Shanghai. Shipments from Hongkong to Shanghai, and coast ports &c. 1,500 bales.

Local Mill.—About 300 bales of 10s. & 12s. at \$127 and \$133 respectively, have been placed on the market.

Shanghai.—A moderate demand is reported.

Japanese Yarn.—No sales.

Raw cotton. Bengal.—The Japanese market being a keen buyer at higher prices, the few parcels which arrived here, have all been shipped to Japan. Chinese.—About 385 (small) bales has been sold at \$30 to \$30, Chinese at \$30 to \$34.

### SENSATIONAL RUMOUR.

Story of Big Haul of Forged Notes.

We have been informed that an arrest has been made this afternoon of rather a sensational character. It is rumoured that five Japanese were arrested about two o'clock this afternoon on the Praya in possession of a steamer trunk, alleged to be full of forged Chinese banknotes.

The value of the notes at present has not yet been ascertained but it is believed to be very considerable.

Our information is to the effect that Chan Kiang Wa, head of the Police at Canton, has co-operated with the Hongkong Police, and one of the biggest captures known in the Colony has been effected. The trunk is now at the police station, and the contents are being examined. It is also stated there will be more than one charge preferred against the accused.



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Red Force:—Officer Commanding:—Lieut. Colonel A. G. Marable, 1st Ba. K. O. Y. L. I. Troops:—1st Ba. K. O. Y. L. I. Hongkong Volunteer Corps, as available.

Blue Force:—Officer Commanding:—Major G. W. Robinson, 25th Punjab; Troops:—8th Rajputs, 25th Punjab.

Umpires are allotted as under:—Red Force—Major R. S. Paul, 126th Baluchistan Infantry. (Attached to 1st Ba. K. O. Y. L. I.) Captain C. R. L. Fitzgerald, Baluchistan Infantry. (Attached to 1st Ba. K. O. Y. L. I.)

Blue Force:—Major T. F. R. Thompson, 26th Punjab. (Attached to 25th Punjab); Capt. E. A. Maude, 26th Punjab. (Attached to 25th Punjab); Captain P. D. Saxton, 26th Punjab. (Attached to 8th Rajputs); Capt. G. H. Russell, 126th Baluchistan Infantry. (Attached to 8th Rajputs).

The senior umpire on either side will allot duties to umpires as required. Umpires should sleep in camp on the night of December 29th/30th. General and Special Ideas will be issued to all concerned. The Red Force will not wear any distinguishing mark. The Blue Force will wear blue patches.

Any persons desirous of seeing the field firing on December 28th, or the field operations on December 30th, should leave Kowloon by the 8.15 a.m. train on those days.

### ORDINANCES ASSENTED TO.

The Government Gazette notifies that His Excellency the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to the following Ordinances passed by the Legislative Council:—An Ordinance to prevent the undue and improper interference with or hampering of lawful business and commercial undertakings; An Ordinance to provide punishment for certain persons found guilty of adultery or of harbouring Chinese Married Women; An Ordinance for effecting the final revision and amendment of the Ordinances of the Colony from 1844 to 1912 inclusive before incorporating them in the New Revised Edition of the Laws of the Colony.

### MAGISTRATE'S HINT.

A man who was charged before Mr. Hazlewood, at the Police Court, this morning, with being a rogue and vagabond at West Point was sentenced to one month with hard labour.

Sergeant Adlington said the man had a long bamboo pole and was trying to remove things from verandahs.

His Worship: He should be charged with larceny. If you put your hand into a man's pocket and it is empty you can now be convicted of attempted larceny; it was not so formerly.

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## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination.	Steamers and Displacement.	Sailing Dates.
EUROPE &.....	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer, T. 16,000	WEDNESDAY, 1st Jan., at daylight.
EUROPE &.....	AKI MARU. Capt. B. Kon, T. 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, OHI, & YAMAGUCHI.	IWA MARU. Capt. Shimidzu, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 31st Dec., at noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BAIRATH.	YAWATA MARU. Capt. T. Sekine, T. 7,000	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at noon.
N'SAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	NIKKO MARU. Capt. M. Yagi, T. 9,600	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	KAGA MARU. Capt. Tabusa, T. 12,500	THURSDAY, 2nd Jan., at 11 a.m.
CALCUTTA via S'pore, Penang and Rangoon.	COLOMBO MARU. Capt. Kawashima, Tons 6,000	SATURDAY, 28th December.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	CEYLON MARU. Capt. Tozawa, T. 12,000	MONDAY, 23rd December.
	HAKATA MARU. Capt. H. Nomura, T. 12,500	MONDAY, 23rd December.

† Cargo only.

† Fitted with new system of wireless telegraphy.

## PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1913.

## FOR EUROPE.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Mishima Maru	15,000	29th January.
Kaga Maru	12,500	12th February.
Atsuta Maru	16,000	26th February.
Hitachi Maru	13,000	12th March.
Miyasaki Maru	16,000	26th March.
Kitano Maru	16,000	9th April.
Iyo Maru	12,500	23rd April.
Hirano Maru	16,000	7th May.
Tango Maru	13,500	21st May.

## FOR AMERICA.

Steamer.	Tons displacement.	Leaving H.K.
Inaba Maru	13,500	11th February.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	25th February.
Tamba Maru	12,500	11th March.
Awa Maru	12,500	25th March.
Sado Maru	12,500	4th April.
Yokohama Maru	12,500	22nd April.
Inaba Maru	12,500	6th May.
Shidzuoka Maru	12,500	20th May.

(Subject to change without notice.)

T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.

CHINA NAVIGATION  
CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers	To Sail.
SHANGHAI	"LIANGCHOW"	21st Dec. M'night.
TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	"HANGCHOW"	24th " 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	24th " 10 A.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KUEICHOW"	24th " 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, SAMARANG & SOURABAYA	"NINGPO"	24th " 5 P.M.
SEANGHAI	"CHENAN"	26th " 4 P.M.
SEANGHAI	"LINAN"	28th " M'night.

This steamer has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in Staterooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

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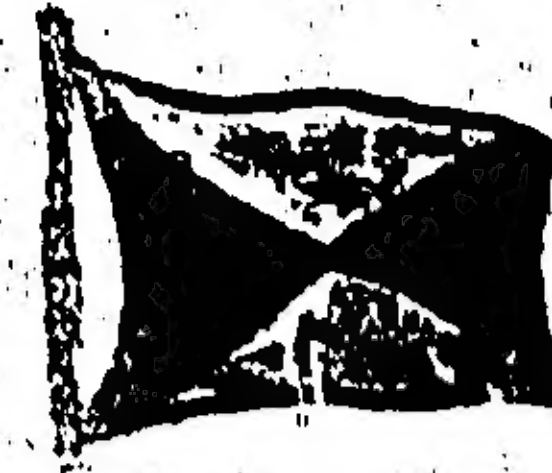
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1912.

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HONGKONG—  
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PHILIPPINES  
STEAMSHIP CO.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO	4000	F. E. Cross.	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	FRIDAY, 27th Dec., 4 P.M.
RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu.	TUESDAY, 7th Jan., 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

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GENERAL MANAGERS

Hongkong 7th December, 1912.

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## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN

## LIJN.

Regular Fortnightly Service between

JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	For	Will leave on or about
Tikiiki	JAVA	2nd half Dec.	SHANGHAI	2nd half Dec.
Tililatip	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.	JAVA	2nd half Dec.
Timanook	JAPAN	2nd half Dec.	JAVA	1st half Jan.
Tilliwong	JAVA	2nd half Jan.	JAPAN	2nd half Jan.
Tiipanas	JAPAN	1st half Jan.	JAVA	1st half Jan.
Tiiparoom	JAVA	1st half Jan.	JAPAN	1st half Jan.
Tiimahai	JAVA	1st half Jan.	JAPAN	1st half Jan.
Tiibodas	JAVA	1st half Jan.	SHANGHAI	1st half Jan.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon passengers, and will take cargo to all Ports in Netherlands-India on through B/L.

For particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

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Imperial Japanese Trans-Pacific Mail Line.

## SAN FRANCISCO LINE

Connecting with the Western Pacific Railway at San Francisco to all points in the United States and Canada and with Trans-Atlantic Lines to Europe.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to alteration.)

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Date of sailing
S.S. "Chiyo Maru"	21,000	W. W. Green	Dec. 21st, Noon.
S.S. "Nippon Maru"	11,000	A. G. Stevens	Jan. 1st, Noon.
S.S. "Tenyo Maru"	21,000	E. Bent	Jan. 17th, Noon.
S.S. "Shinyo Maru"	21,000	H. S. Smith	Feb. 1st, Noon.

These steamers are equipped with Turbine Engines and Triple Screws.

All steamers carry Japanese Government wireless telegraph and post office.

The steamer "Chiyo Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 21st Dec., at Noon.

## INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

The twin screw steamer "Nippon Maru" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 11th January, 1913, at Noon.

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In connection with the National Railway of Mexico at Manzanillo and the Tehuantepec National Railway at Salina Cruz.

Only Regular Direct Service to Mexican, Chilean and Peruvian Ports.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (Subject to Alteration.)

Steamer	Tons	Date of Sailing.
Kiyo Maru	17,500	Saturday, February 1, Noon 1913.
Buyo Maru	10,500	Thursday, April 8, Noon 1913.
Hongkong Maru	11,000	Wednesday, June 4, Noon.

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Steamers:	Tons	Starting	Dec. 31st	at 1 p.m.
Mongolia	17,000	Jan. 7th	at 1 p.m.	
Persia	9,000	Jan. 28th	at 1 p.m.	
Korea	9,000	Feb. 4th	at 1 p.m.	

Passengers holding through Tickets have the privilege of travelling by train between Kobe and Yokohama, free of charge.

## HONGKONG-MANILA SERVICE.

From HONGKONG.	Arrive	Leave	From MANILA.	Arrive	Leave
Leave Hongkong.	Manila.	Manila.	Leave Hongkong.	Manila.	Manila.
Feb. 25 CHINA	Feb. 27	Feb. 21 MANCHURIA	Feb. 28		
Mar. 18 NILE	Mar. 21	Mar. 8 NILE	Mar. 10		
Apr. 15 PERSIA	Apr. 17	Apr. 15 MONGOLIA	Mar. 18		
May 18 CHINA	May 19	May 15 PERSIA	Apr. 17		

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## MEE CHEUNG.

## ART PHOTOGRAPHER.

## HONGKONG.

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## Developing, Printing &amp; Enlarging.

## Hongkong, 1st May, 1911.

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## SHIPHANDLERS.

## PROVISION &amp; COAL.

## MERCHANTS

## Hongkong, 23rd May, 1912.

## LOG BOOK.

Commodore of the Cunard Line.

When the Cunard liner Campania arrived at Queens'own on November 20 Captain R. C. Warr, commodore captain of the Cunard fleet, who has spent 47 years at sea—33 in the Cunard service—was presented with a silver tea and coffee service by the passengers, on the occasion of his retiring into private life.

## Coal Shipments.

A White paper just issued gives details of the shipments of coal abroad, coastwise and in bunkers, from each port of the United Kingdom during 1910 and 1911. The total coal exports from the United Kingdom in 1911 were 64,599,266 tons, as against 62,085,476 in 1910. Cardiff heading the list of ports with 16,127,777, Newcastle and the Shields totalling 12,498,066. Of the total exports 25,029,865 tons went to Russia, Scandinavia, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Iceland, and the whale and deep-sea fisheries—the bulk coming from the East Coast ports—and 31,330,571 to other European countries, and Mediterranean ports. The shipments of coal coastwise totalled 22,005,021 tons in 1911, against 21,676,715 in 1910; and the shipments of bunker coals were—foreign voyages 10,264,189 tons, coastwise voyages 2,431,925.

## American-Hawaiian S.S. Co.

The Minnesotan, the first of eight ships being built for the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company, left New York for Puerto Mexico, on her maiden trip on October 15, and will run between those ports until the opening of the Panama Canal permits of the run being extended to San Francisco.

The other ships following her in the order named are the Dakotan, which will be delivered shortly by the builders, the Maryland Steel Co.; the Montanan, due in the spring; the Panamanian, the Washintonian, the Iowan and the Ohican. They are built to the same specifications, namely, length 415ft. 2in.; width 53ft. 6in.; depth 39ft. 6in.; draught 20ft. 4in.; speed 12 knots, gross tonnage 6,655; and dead weight tonnage 10,000. They are substantially built with double bottom, and ample bulkheads are carrying for burning oil fuel for their engines, and are equipped with the best modern apparatus for handling freight. The eight new boats will bring up the total gross tonnage of the American-Hawaiian Company to 180,00



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OUTWARD.	HOMEWARD.
For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama:	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg:
S.S. ARMENIA ..... 22nd Dec.	S.S. SEVOSTIAN ..... 23rd Dec.
" ALTMARK ..... 3rd Jan.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
" SILESIA ..... 14th Jan.	S.S. ALESIA ..... 24th Dec.
" SUEVIA ..... 27th Jan.	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
" O. J. D. AHLERS ..... 11th Feb.	S.S. BRASLIA ..... 11th Jan.
" SPEZIA ..... 26th Feb.	For Havre & Hamburg:
" SENEGAMBIA ..... 10th March	S.S. SAMBLA ..... 16th Jan.
" SITHONIA ..... 23rd March	For Rotterdam, Bremen & Hamburg:
	S.S. FURST BULOW ..... 21st Jan.
	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg:
	S.S. ARMENIA ..... 5th Jan.
	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg:
	S.S. ALTMARK ..... 5th Feb.
	For Marseilles, Bremen & Hamburg:
	S.S. GOLDENFELS ..... 7th Feb.

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## EASTWARD.

The S.S. "UPADA" 5257 tons gross tonnage, Capt. R. B. Hird will be de-  
parted for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on the 12th January  
1919 at noon, and will be followed by the S.S. "UPADA" 5257 tons gross,  
Capt. Logan, sailing hence on or about the 20th January 1919 at noon, taking  
cargo at current rates.

## WESTWARD.

The S.S. "OKARA" 5241 tons gross, Capt. R. B. Hird will be de-  
parted for SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON on the 12th January  
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Bremen and Hamburg, &c.	Brasil	H. A. L.	5 January
do do do	Fuerst Buelow	H. A. L.	23 January
Marseilles and Hamburg, &c.	Segovia	H. A. L.	23 December
Mexico, Peruvian and Chili via Japan	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	1 February
Capo Ports via Mauritius	Daneric	Bank Line	Begin. January
Copenhagen and Baltic Ports	A. N. & Co.	A. N. & Co.	15 January
Trieste, Fiume, Venice via Singapore, &c.	Persia	S. W. & Co.	31 Dec., about
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New York via Ports and Suez Canal	Swazi	S. T. & Co.	9 Jan., about
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Nile	P. M. Co.	31 December
do do do	Mongolia	P. M. Co.	7 January
Victoria, Vancouver, &c.	Ockley	Bank Line	End of December
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Japan, &c.	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	20 December
Victoria, B.C., and Tacoma via Keelung, &c.	Panama Maru	O. S. K.	4 January
Victoria, B.C., and Seattle via Shanghai, &c.	Awa Maru	N. Y. K.	31 December
Vancouver via Shanghai and Japan, &c.	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	11 January
Vancouver	Monteagle	C. P. R. Co.	8 March

## Australia.

Australian Ports	Changalia	R. & S.	4 January
Australian Ports via Manila	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	20 December
do do do	Prinz Waldemar	M. & Co.	28 December
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Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya	Ningpo	B. & S.	24 December
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of January
Bombay via Singapore and Colombo	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	23 December
Japan	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
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Yokohama and Kobe via Shanghai	E. F. Ferdinand	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
do do do	Verwerdis	S. W. & Co.	30 Dec., about
Kobe and Moji	Arratoun Apear	D. S. & Co.	30 December
Kobe and Yokohama	Coblentz	M. & Co.	7 Jan., about
do do do	Kaga Maru	N. Y. K.	2 January
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	15 January
Chefoo and Chinwantao via Shanghai	Kingsing	J. M. & Co.	23 December
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Amoy and Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Sosho Maru	O. S. K.	25 December
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	P. L. & Co.	24 December
do do do	Hsiehling	P. L. & Co.	27 December
do do do	Haitan	P. L. & Co.	31 December
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	O. S. K.	1 January
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daijia Maru	O. S. K.	22 December
Manila	Yuensang	J. M. & Co.	21 December
do do do	Lyngsang	J. M. & Co.	23 December
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Kueichaw	B. & S.	24 December
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	Zefiro	S. T. & Co.	27 December
do do do	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	7 January
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	24 December
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Hakata Maru	N. Y. K.	23 December
do do do	Carmarthenshire	J. M. & Co.	14 Jan., about
do do do	Dumbia	M. M. Co.	30 December
do do do	Ammonia	H. A. L.	22 December
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Sunda	P. & O. Co.	26 Dec., about
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Prinz Ludwig	M. & Co.	23 Dec., about
Shanghai	Tjilatjap	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjibodas	J. C. J. L.	Quick despatch
do do do	Tjikini	P. M. Co.	Quick despatch
do do do	Kuerber	S. W. & Co.	5 January
do do do	Waisang	J. M. & Co.	22 December
do do do	Koonshing	J. M. & Co.	24 December
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## To Sail

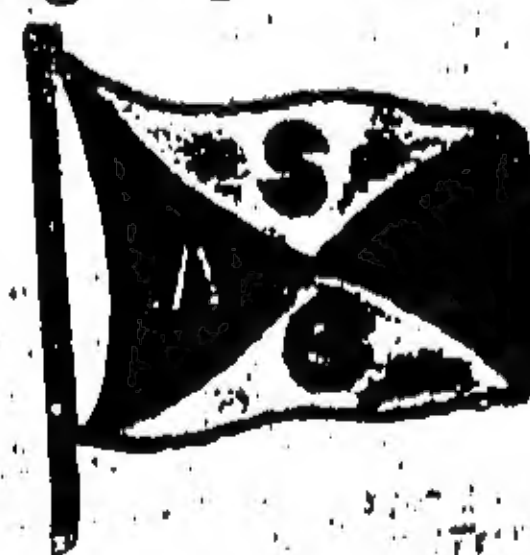
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For	Vessel
Swatow,	Daijin-maru.
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## DEPART ON MONDAY.

Straits,	Wakasa-maru.
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Japan,	Hakata-maru.
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From	Vessels
Shanghai,	Awa-maru.
Java,	Chunsang.

## ARRIVE ON MONDAY.

New York,	Indramayo.
Tsingtau,	Segovia.
Shanghai,	Alesia.

## AMERICAN MAIL.

The T. K. K. s.s. Nippon Maru,  
left San Francisco for Hongkong  
via usual ports on the 7th inst.  
and is due here on the 31st inst.The mails ex P.M. s.s. Nile,  
have been transferred to the s.s.  
Awa Maru, due here on the 22nd  
inst.The P.M. s.s. Korea, arrived at  
San Francisco on the 16th inst.

## CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. s.s. Monteagle,  
arrived at Moji at 9.00 a.m. on  
Thursday the 19th inst., and left  
again at 11 p.m. same day for  
Kobe where she is due to arrive  
at 5 p.m. on Friday the 20th inst.

## FRENCH MAIL.

The s.s. Ernest Simons will not  
leave Shanghai before the 25th  
inst. and is expected to arrive here  
on the 28th inst.The M.M. s.s. Ernest Simons,  
with the outward French mail,  
will leave for Europe on the 28th  
inst. at 7 p.m.The M.M. s.s. Caledonien, with  
the outward French mail, will  
leave for Europe on the 31st inst.  
at 1 p.m.

## GERMAN MAIL.

The I. G. M. s.s. Prinz Ludwig,  
carrying the German mails with  
dates from Berlin of the 27th ult.,  
left Colombo on the 15th inst.,  
p.m. and may be expected here  
on the 26th inst., p.m.

## AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. and A. str. St. Albans,  
from Sydney, left Port Darwin on  
the 2nd inst. for Timor, Manila  
and Hongkong.The E. and A. str. Eastern, left  
Sydney on the 18th inst. for this  
port via Queensland and ports,  
Port Darwin and Manila.

## MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The s.s. Shimosa sailed from  
New York on the 24th inst., for  
Far East, via the Straits.The str. Kansas, passed the  
Suez Canal on the 3rd December  
and is due here on or about 3rd  
January.The T. K. K. s.s. Kiyo Maru,  
arrived at Honolulu from  
Manzanillo on the 13th inst. and  
is due in Hongkong on the 18th  
January.The I. M. G. s.s. Coblentz, left  
Sydney on the 14th inst., at 11  
a.m., and may be expected here  
on or about 6th January.The s.s. Sunda, from Java, is due at Hong-  
kong on the 22nd inst.The Indra Line s.s. Indramayo,  
from New York, is due at Hong-  
kong on the 23rd inst. She passed  
Canal on the 26th ult.The H. A. L. s.s. Segovia, left  
Tsingtau on the 18th inst. p.m.  
and may be expected here on or  
about the 23rd inst. a.m.The P. & O. s.s. Sunda, is ex-  
pected to leave Singapore on the  
22nd inst. afternoon.The H. A. L. s.s. Alesia, left  
Shanghai on the 20th inst. a.m.  
and may be expected here on or  
about the 23rd inst. a.m.The s.s. Thongwa, from Shang-  
hai and Kobe, left Moji on the 20th,  
and may be expected here on or  
about the 24th inst. a.m.The I. G. M. s.s. Borneo, has  
left Sandakan on Thursday the  
8th of Dec. at p.m., and may be  
expected here on or about Tues-  
day the 27th of Dec. at noon.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

## Steamers.

Andree Rickmers' Ger. s.s. 2,673  
tons, 20th Dec.—  
Hamburg 10th Oct., Gen.—  
S. W.Chihli, Br. s.s. 1,143, McGarity,  
16th Dec.—Honu 10th  
Dec., Rice—B. & S.Chip Shing, Br. s.s. 1,199, Mooney,  
13th Dec.—Canton 12th  
Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.Clara Jensen, Ger. s.s. 1,103, A.  
P. Ulstrup, 13th Dec.—  
Canton 12th Dec., Gen.—  
J. & Co.Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s. 899 Fuchi-  
gami, 18th Dec.—Tamsui  
Gen.—O. S. K.Daiya Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,737, Ko-  
bayashi, 19th Dec.—  
Karatsu 14th Dec., Coal—  
M. B. G. K.Erviken, Nor. s.s. 1,400, Angen-  
sen, 19th Dec.—Canton  
18th Dec., Coal—M. B.  
K.Haiching, Br. s.s. 1,267, W. C.  
Passmore, 15th Dec.—  
Swatow 14th Dec., Gen.—  
J. L. & Co.Hanot, Fr. s.s. 739, G. Bonhier,  
12th Dec.—Haiphong via  
Pakho. 10th Dec., Gen.—  
A. R. Marty.Hanyang, Br. s.s. 1,296, J. Cogan,  
19th Dec.—Tientsin 12th  
Dec., Gen.—B. & S.Hoihow, Br. s.s. 987, McCulloch,  
10th Dec.—Amoy 7th  
Dec., Ballast—B. & S.Hongmoh, Br. s.s. Bainbridge,  
19th Dec.—Penang 10th  
Dec., Gen.—Chinese.Kauchow, Br. s.s. 1,217, Monk-  
man, 14th Dec.—Swatow  
13th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.Kobya, Br. s.s. 1,168, Ballast, 12th  
Dec.—Manila 5th Dec.,  
Gen.—R. Basa.Kueichow, Br. s.s. 1,215, Cole,  
13th Dec.—Canton 12th  
Dec., Gen.—B. & S.Laertes, Br. s.s. 1,320, Wawn, 5th  
Dec.—Sigon 22nd Nov.,  
Gen.—Wo Fat Sing.Liberia, Ger. s.s. Schroeder, 14th  
Dec.—Shanghai 11th  
Dec., Gen.—H. A. L.Namsang, Br. s.s. 2,591, H. E.  
Gibroy, 14th Dec.—Japan,  
Coal and Gen.—J. M. &  
Co.Mausang, Br. s.s. 1,646, A. C. A.  
Cormack, 15th Dec.—  
Sandakan 10th Dec.,  
Gen.—J. M. & Co.Petchaburi, Br. s.s. 1,372, Gose-  
wisch, 19th Dec.—Sour-  
abaya 8th Dec., Sugar—  
J. C. J. L.Pheumphen, Br. s.s. 1,066, Scott,  
Faigon 14th Dec., Gen.—  
Wo Fat Sing.Seang Bee, Br. s.s. 3,794, Travis,  
19th Dec.—Rangoon via  
Singapore 4th Dec., Gen.—  
S. L.Suisang, Br. s.s. 1,760, Payne,  
16th Dec.—Java 5th Dec.,  
Sugar—J. M. & Co.Tamarac, Br. s.s. Macdonald,  
19th Dec.—San Francisco  
do. Bulk oil—S. O. Co.Triumph, Ger. s.s. 869 Lang-  
schwager, 15th Dec.—  
Haiphong and Bouthou  
14th Dec., Rice—T. & Co.Tungwah, Chi. s.s. 946, Froggatt,  
20th Dec.—Canton 19th  
Dec., Gen.—C. M. S. N.  
& Co.Vladimir, Rus. s.s. 2,197, Karlo-  
vsky, 17th Dec.—Odessa  
and Singapore 9th Dec.,  
Gen.—Lukmanoff.The s.s. Sunda, from Java, is due at Hong-  
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 Bellios, Mrs. E. G.  
 R. MacIntyre, Mr.  
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having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.  
 Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before noon to-day requesting it to be landed here.  
 No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th of Dec. will be subject to rent.  
 All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th of Dec. at 9.30 a.m.  
 All claims must reach us before the 27th of Dec., 1912, or they will not be recognized.  
 No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.  
 This Steamer brings cargo Ex S.S. "Oron" and "Barbarigo" from Venice via Port Said.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
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 General Agents.  
 Hongkong, 18th Dec., 1912.

## Consignees

## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM EUROPE

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE,"  
 having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd Dec. at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.  
 All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 23rd inst., at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.  
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.  
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. LTD., Agents.  
 Hongkong, 16th Dec., 1912.

## TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

THE Steamship

"OHIO MARU."

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

The above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WEDNESDAY, 18th Nov. at 5 a.m., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from Company's Godown.

No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered on MONDAY, the 23rd inst., afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown and examination of same to be held on 23rd inst.

All claims must be filed on or before 30th inst. otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORIMOTO,  
 Agent.  
 Hongkong, 18th Dec., 1912.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P.M.S. Steamship

"EMPEROR OF INDIA."

The above mentioned steamer having arrived from Vancouver, Victoria and Japan Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon Godowns, where delivery may be obtained.

Goods on board and after the 27th Dec. will be subject to rent.  
 No Fire Insurance will be effected.  
 All damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns and the Office notified, when arrangements will be made for examination.

No claims will be admitted after the 27th Dec. have left the Godown.  
 D. W. GRADDOCK,  
 General Traffic Agent.  
 Hongkong, 21st Dec., 1912.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENLAWERS."

From MIDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th Dec. will be subject to rent.  
 All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th prox. or they will not be recognized.  
 All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.  
 Hongkong, 19th Dec., 1912.

## ROUND THE SHOPS.

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## CHINA EXPRESS COMPANY.

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"O. I." in fact, possesses properties peculiarly its own and well deserves a trial by those who do not know it. Messrs. Garner Quetch & Co. are the sole agents for Hongkong.

THE TURKO-EGYPTIAN STORE.

The Turko-Egyptian Store, near the Clock Tower, is the place that everyone should visit who is bent on buying tobacco in any of its pleasing forms, but more especially should this be the case when any of the high class brands of Egyptian and Turkish cigarettes are in demand. For instance, who ever thinks of an Egyptian cigarette without calling to mind the beauties of the Simon Ariz goods, or those of Melachino, Dimitrio or Nestor Giannacis? There are brands without number but few to equal the smoothness of taste and general excellence of preparation of these kinds of smokes. Another favourite is the M.O.C. brand which is commanding a greater following every day. Nor does the stock of smokes end here, for in the store may be found choice mixtures and the very best of cigars.

G. FALCONER & Co.

At Messrs G. Falconer & Co.'s there is the usual display of most delightful gems and pretty articles of jewellery. Then there are watches at various prices which are to be found in the window. In particular there is

and one of which should form part of the kit of every lady or gentleman. For binoculars it is well known that Messrs. Falconer and Co. are not to be beaten, and they make a speciality of glasses for marine officers which show up objects with remarkable clearness at night—and are exceedingly useful at all times. Scientific instruments of all descriptions can be obtained from, or ordered through, this firm. The collection of silver ware is not to be excelled and anything purchased at this shop may be trusted to bear the hall mark of excellence.

MESSRS. KUHN & KOMOR.

If there is a shop in town containing articles that will make a home look nice, it is that of Messrs. Kuhn and Komor. To particularise as to the qualities of any one piece of their antique furniture, or their beautiful collection of vases and curios one would have to be an expert of the first water. The most gorgeous figures in bronze and other metals can be seen in the shop whilst the windows contain Chinese curios, screens and American out glass which are worth seeing, even though one does not feel disposed to make a purchase. A tour of inspection of Messrs. Kuhn and Komor's premises will not only be found entertaining but educating.

THE HOTELS.

One is always anxious at Christmas to have the dinner up to perfection and little mistakes in cooking that one will overlook at other periods of the year will not be tolerated this day. One way out of the difficulties of cooking is to ring up the manager of the Hongkong Hotel, the Grand Hotel, the Astor House Hotel, Grand Carlton or the King Edward Hotel and ask him to reserve a cosy corner table for yourself and friends. All these hotels are having special menus, and dining there is not only more economical than dining at home but relieves one of all anxiety as to the result. After dinner take a ride on the car to the Belle View and take a liqueur and a bottle of wine.

MOUTRIE & CO. LTD.

Messrs. Moutrie and Co., Ltd. received a new selection of records and instruments by the Empress boat to-day and those who desire to give a present of a musical nature should not fail to pay a visit to this well known music store. In one branch in particular Messrs. Moutrie and Co. stand well to the fore, and that is with regard to their stock of Victrolas which are being sold at prices ranging from \$35 upwards. In the instrument line they have some excellent makes of pianos in their store, while only recently a special shop has been opened at the rear in which attention is paid solely to organs. Those whose purses do not run to pianos for Christmas presents will find other lines from which to make a more modest choice.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

Even chemists' shops lean towards the happier side during Christmas time, and the Victoria Dispensary is by no means an exception to the rule. Instead of the usual array of medicaments, sweets of all kinds fill the picture boxes of chocolates and small with choice printings on the lid, and tied up in the daintiest of ribbon, always form an attractive filling to a window; but when all these tins and boxes contain the famous confections of Cadbury and Pascall they deserve more than a passing notice. If sweets are required, a good selection will be found at the Dispensary, while soaps in profusion and all the hundred and one things necessary to make a successful toilet are to be found there.

MESSRS. BLACKHEAD AND CO.

Messrs. Blackhead and Co., are paying attention to mere man in more than one direction in their Christmas display and in this they are to be congratulated for the fine variety of pickles and sauces that they are showing. Without these, or at any rate some of them, the table would not be complete. Then, again, there are the tinned goods which also are of high order, while lighter eatables in the form of sweetstuffs and chocolates are to be found.

Those who seek to make presents useful and ornamental will do well to inspect the stock of cut glass that is in stock, samples of which are to be found in the window. In particular there is

one fine specimen of a cut glass bowl rather large, and generally a piece of work that would make an excellent present to the housewife who loves her home and desires to make it beautiful.

THE SINCERE CO.

The Sincere Co. has a name now which is practically a household word in Hongkong. The fact that it is practically a miniature Whiteley's is enough to show that any detailed description of the various articles would need more space than is at our command. Notice, however, must be made of the wide range of toys submitted to the choice of Santa Claus. The fact that a fourteen day's sale is in progress should also be somewhat of an attraction, for everyone likes bargain hunting. The old gentleman in red cloak and white beard has his task made easy at Sincere's, for he can get anything from a cinematograph, to an india-rubber ball of the smallest dimensions.

MESSRS. SENNET.

The establishment of Messrs. Sennet Freres contains many beautiful things, and presents at all prices can be obtained there. Besides a collection of some of the most beautiful diamonds in the Colony, there are all kinds of articles from Thermos flasks to the most enviable vases, providing great scope for those who are undecided as to what to purchase for their friends as a token of remembrance. The silver ware, too, is delightful and the bangles and ornaments dear to the heart of women cannot be surpassed by any other firm in Hongkong. A visit to this jewellery store can be recommended and is sure to please. It would not be fair to omit mention of the beautiful charms that are displayed.

H. RUTTONJEE AND SON.

Among the provision merchants Messrs. H. Ruttonjee and Son in Queen's Road hold an excellent position. Naturally, at this season, the chief feature is the Christmas fire. Excellent assorted greeting cards are to be obtained at a low price, while an excellent array of bon-bons may be seen. One interesting present for a young child is a doll's cot filled with crackers, while others may be brought in the usual box. Now there are in profusion, including the Barcelona and the Brazil. Of course there is the usual fruit for the plum-pudding, while the wines and spirits are well worth passing notice. Messrs. Ruttonjee always stock a good sherry, nor are they in any way behind in their vintages.

THE SUN COMPANY.

The Sun Company of Universal Providers, who have only recently opened in their new premises in Des Vaux Road, deserve every praise for the manner in which they have dressed their windows for the Christmas season. Not content with the usual interior decoration, the verandah is bedecked with paper chains and all the confections which the Chinese manipulate so well. The centre of attraction is undoubtedly the middle window where a landscape in green, picked out in paper flowers, with a large bridge, is used to set off the multitude of toys displayed. Dolls, yachts, battleships, clockwork railways and all the hundred and one things to delight the eyes of the youngsters are to be found.

MESSRS. BREWER & CO.

Messrs. Brewer and Co. have paid special attention to the Christmas season, as their display of leather goods signifies. Writing-cases and the like are to be seen in large enough quantity to allow of a free range of choice, and the excellence of the samples, tends to show that such a present would be truly acceptable to many. There is no friend like a good book and there are now so many of them that it is more than ordinarily difficult to make a selection. Messrs. Brewer have put up a good show of volumes, all so fine in their bindings and general "get up" that only an insight into their contents can possibly be anything like a good guide to the purchaser. The children can have neat little toy books suitable either for boys or girls who can read or for the least of tots.

MESSRS. WEISMANN'S LTD.

Why Christmas day should be associated with plum pudding is hard to say, though probably it takes the place of the highly spiced concoctions that graced

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## COMMERCIAL.

## SHARE REPORT.

Mr. W. H. Wright and Hornby in their Weekly Share Report, dated December 21, state:—

Our Market has ruled rather quiet during the week owing to settlement influences, but a firmer tendency prevails at the close.

Para Rubber is quoted from London at 4/8 per lb. and the market for Shares closed firm.

Bar Silver is quoted at 29½ per oz. for ready and 29.5 16 per oz. for forward delivery, market dull but steady.

Exchange on London opened to-day at 2/0.7-8 T.T.

Banks:—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have advanced from \$815 to \$825 buyers, after sales at \$820 and \$825. London quotes \$851/-

Marine Insurances:—Unions have changed hands at \$817.1-2 and more shares are obtainable at this rate. Cantons have been done at \$270 and close weaker with further sellers at this figure. North China is quoted from Shanghai at Tls. 134 buyers, and Yangtzes at \$102 buyers, Ex. 73.

Fire Insurances:—Hongkong Firms have improved from \$375 to a buying quotation of \$370 with no shares offering. China Firms are wanted at \$147.

Shipping:—Indos are quiet at \$88. London quotes \$9.0-0 for the Combined shares, middle price. Hongkong Canton & Mexico Steamboats have buyers at \$28 and sellers at \$28½. China and Manila have been in good demand throughout the week and the market closes with buyers at \$11. Douglas's are in demand at \$34½. Star Ferries have weakened on selling quotation of \$37, buyers offering \$35. Shell Transports firmer with London quoting \$511/- middle price; an interim dividend of 2/- per share has just been declared.

Refineries:—China Sugars are still neglected the market closing weak with sellers at \$108. Luzons have sellers at \$34½.

Mining:—Hambro's after sales at \$4.40 and 4.15 close with buyers at \$4. Langkots are wanted at Tls. 72½. Tronohs are quoted from London at 79/9 middle.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns:—Hongkong Docks have sellers at \$57 and Kowloon Wharves at \$77½. Shanghai Docks have advanced from Tls. 50 to Tls. 51½ buyers, and Hongkew Wharves remain unchanged at Tls. 103.

Lands:—Hongkong Lands have been done at \$104½ and \$105 closing quiet. Kowloon Lands are still in request at \$36 and West Points at \$57. Hongkong Hotels are quiet at \$115 and Tls. 73. Humphreys Estates are obtainable at 8½.

Cotton Mills:—Hongkong Cottons are firm with buyers at 7½. Shanghai Cottons are wanted at 120 for March. Kung Yicks are wanted at Tls. 15 for cash cum the dividend of Tls. 1.50 payable in January. Sooy Chooes are quoted at Tls. 44 and Ewo's have improved to a buying quotation of Tls. 121½.

Miscellaneous:—There are buyers of Cements at \$41. China Borneo's at \$94 China Providents at \$91. Dairy Farms at 21½ Ropes at \$19. Watsons at \$8. China Light and Powers at \$21 and Steam Laundries at \$4½. There are sellers of Union Waterboats, at \$14 and Hongkong Electric Trams at 48/9d.

Quotations received by cable from London to-day:—Banks \$85. Indos \$9½. Shells \$511/- Tronohs \$23/10/0. United Serdangs \$65/- Rubber Trusts 11/0 Prem. London Asiatics 12/3.

Shanghai Bullion: December 13, 1912.

Bar Silver ... a. 29.9-10 Mexican Dollars. Market Rate... Tls. 74.0875 Dragon Dollars. Native Bank Rate ... 73.8875 Copper Cash ... per Tls. 1.750 Shanghai Gold Bars \$'hai Tls. Bar Silver ... Tls. Native Interest ... Sovereigns: Bk's. Buying rate... 6.84 \$9.15

## Growth of Light Railways in Japan.

Since the enforcement of the Light Railway Law, there has been a marked increase in the construction of that useful means of traffic. In October there were 133 applications for charters, with an aggregate mileage of 1,838 and a capital of \$5,317,390 yen. Since the adoption of the Law charters granted for the construction of these lines have numbered over 100, with a total mileage of 2,814 and an aggregate capital of 124,908,150 yen. Adding to these the lines that have recently applied for charters, the total mileage will reach over 4,052, with an aggregate capital of over 220,225,500 yen. When all these lines are completed, communication in the interior of the country will be greatly facilitated, and as a result more passengers and freight will be brought to the State trunk lines, to the benefit of both the light railways and the Government lines.

## Entertainment

## VICTORIA THEATRE.

THE PIONEER PLACE OF ENTERTAINMENT OF HONGKONG.  
2 Performances:  
7.15 Pictures only.  
9.15 Full Programmes.  
Machinos:  
Wednesdays & Holidays ... 5 p.m.  
Saturday ... 4 p.m.  
Sundays ... 6 p.m.  
Masnickent Films,  
The Charming  
American Soubrette  
HO WARD SISTERS.  
MISS NELLIE MAHER.  
Refined Soubrette.  
Granda Matinee with Valuable Prizes on 24th December, 1912 and 1st January, 1913 at 4 p.m. Popular Prices.

## Notices

## Christmas and New Year Holidays.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY the 25th and 26th instant and WEDNESDAY the 26th of January, 1913.  
Hongkong, 18th Dec., 1912. [995]

THE OFFICE of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business for the New Year Holidays on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd January proximo.  
E. GORDON LOWDER,  
Commissioner of Chinese Customs.  
York Buildings,  
Hongkong, 18th Dec., 1912. [991]

## PEAK TRAMWAY CO. S. DIMITED.

## FIVE TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.  
7.00 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. Every 15 min.  
8.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. " 10 min.  
10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 15 min.  
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. " 10 min.  
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. " 10 min.  
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. " 15 min.  
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. " 10 min.  
2.15 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.  
5.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.  
NIGHT CARS.  
3.15 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.50 p.m. every 15 minutes.  
SUNDAYS.  
7.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. every 15 min.  
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. " 10 min.  
11.15 a.m. to 12.00 noon " 15 min.  
12.00 noon to 1.00 p.m. " 10 min.  
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. " 15 min.  
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. " 10 min.  
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. " 15 min.  
7.00 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. " 10 min.  
NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.  
SATURDAYS.  
Extra Car at 11.45 p.m.  
SPECIAL CARS.  
Arrangement of the Company's Office, Alexander Buildings, 100, Victoria Road.  
" H. D. H. M'PHERYS & SON.  
General Managers,  
Hongkong, 21st Nov., 1911.

## THE FAMINE IN CHINA.

EIGHT Famine Districts with an area of 80,000 square miles.  
TWO and a half million people facing starvation.  
PLEASE SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO-DAY.  
IT WILL HELP TO SAVE LIFE.  
TREASURER: H. C. GULLAND, Esq.,  
Manager, International Banking Corporation, Shanghai.  
Hongkong, 24th January 1912. [170]

## Entertainments

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## TO-NIGHT,

## "AN IDEAL HUSBAND"

## A PLAY IN 4 ACTS

BY OSCAR WILDE,

to be produced by

Local Amateurs

on December 21st at 9.00 p.m.

Under the distinguished

Patronage of

His Excellency the Governor

in aid of the following Charities:—

The Diocesan Girls' School

The Eyre Refuge

The Blind Home (Blindenhelm)

The St. Lewis Orphanage

Booking opens at Messrs. Montre & Co. from December 4th to holders of advance tickets, obtainable from ladies and members of the committee of the various Charities and Messrs. Montre & Co., and to the public from December 7th.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## THREE NIGHTS ONLY.

## THE ORIENTAL THEATRICAL CO. OF MANILA, P.I., PRESENTS

## FERRIS HARTMAN,

And His Talented Co. including

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27th.

The latest Comedy success

"A TRIP ABROAD"

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28th.

Walter De Leon's Great Success

"THE GIRL AND THE BOY"

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30th.

For the first time in Hongkong.

The Great Success

"DREAM CITY."

Captain at 9.15 p.m. sharp.

PRICES:—D. Circle \$1.50, U. Stalls \$1.50, Stalls \$8.00, Pk \$2.00, Gallery \$1.00.

Late Cars to the Peak.

Booking at MOUTRIE & CO.,

Hongkong, 18th Dec., 1912. [983]

## THEATRE ROYAL.

## TUESDAY,

## DEC. 31ST.

## WATCH THIS SPACE.

## BIJOU.

9.15 p.m. To-Night. 9.15 p.m.

## SPECIAL XMAS

## PROGRAMME

## OF

## ALL NEW PICTURES

## AND

## THE FLOWER-STREET

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## Banks

## INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

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CREDIT are available all over the world.

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Managers: GEORGE WOOD

9, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 1st Nov., 1912. [19]

## THE

## YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Established 1880.

Authorised Capital Yen 48,000,000

Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000

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Shanghai

Tientsin

Tokyo

Interest Allowed on Current

Account.

Deposits received for fixed

periods at rates to be obtained on

application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1912. [18]

## Notices

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDI-

TIONS of the letting by Public Auction

Sale, to be held on Monday, the

23rd day of December, 1912, at 3 p.m.,

at the Office of the Public Works

Department, by Order of His Ex-

cellency the Governor, of One Lot of

rown Land below Kennedy Road, in

the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of

75 years, with the option of renewal at

a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor

of His Majesty the King, for one far

ther lot of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT

LOAN AND MORTGAGE

CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP, \$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of Real Estate

and

Advances made on Merchandise.

Loans made on the Provident System

(Rates and Particulars on application).

THE OFFICE OF

TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF

WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c.,

Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1903. [82]

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT

## COMPANY, LIMITED.

## PORTLAND CEMENT

In Casks of 375 lbs. net.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th August, 1901. [8]

Madras and Port Cakes 50 and

60 cents per lb. Wedding and Birth-

day Cakes from \$1.00 per lb.

ALEXANDRA CAPE CO.

## Banks

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$1,000,000

RESERVE FUND \$1,000,000

SHANGHAI \$1,000,000

SILVER \$1,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PRO-

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on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:

For 3 months, 3½ per cent. per annum.

For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

For 12 months, 4½ per cent. per annum.



## ROUND THE SHOPS.

**MESSRS. WEISMANN LTD.**  
Many a board in medieval England. It has, without doubt, become an institution, and Messrs. Weismann have recognised this by calling attention to the fact that they can supply them of all sizes. As there is character in a plum pudding, so there is in Messrs. Weismann's display, and that of a high standard. Of confectionery, too, this firm offers a good selection, coverings wide range in sizes and makes, whose names it would be invidious to mention, while the chocolates etc. beloved of children are exhibited in profusion.

## DRAGON CYCLE COMPANY.

Though people do not commonly buy motor cars for Christmas presents, yet it is not extraordinary for a motor car to be engaged to take a party for a run either before or after, or, indeed, from breakfast time any morning, for a spin along the roads of the Colony. The Dragon Cycle Company have numerous cars, all easy running and speedy, under the control of experienced drivers. This company possesses the agency for the Overland Car, the 1913 model being at the disposal of intending purchasers free. The car must be tried before the qualities of it can be realised and the management solicits the favour of motorists or intending motorists.

## MESSRS. WARREN &amp; CO.

There is nothing like a comfortable house to spend Christmas in, and, if anything needs to be done in the home to make everything run smoothly, Messrs. Warren and Co. are the people to do it. Stoves for cooking, for example, do not always do what they are supposed to perform when it comes to preparing the Christmas dinner. Consequently the safe plan is to have the stove overhauled and put right. Or perhaps the husband is desirous of making his wife's drawing room look better, and nothing as a rule pleases a true woman more. A new fender or a set of brasses is just the thing and these can be had at Messrs. Warren and Co. Another thing that is a joy for ever is the bathroom if it is nicely kept. The firm of whom we speak have a good line of European fashioned bathtubs at reasonable prices, while all the other accessories in kind can be obtained.

## THE FRENCH STORE.

At the French Store in Queen's Road, there is a beautiful display of bon bon, crackers and sweets which play such a prominent part after the Christmas dinner. Then there are the delicacies for which this establishment is noted, and which give one an appetite even to think of. The chocolates at the French Store cannot be beaten, and the toys on stock are well chosen and should give children great delight. The assistants are courteous and obliging, and a look round the shop should occupy a spare half hour pleasantly, and usefully. There is something to be for every one.

## GRACA &amp; CO.

The display made by Messrs. Graca & Co. is a delightful and useful one. In this shop all that is required to make a Christmas tree enchanting can be obtained at reasonable prices. Many little hands will clasp with unrestrained delight when their owners see the big and beautiful teddy bears and dolls that there are in stock and on view. For those on the look out for Christmas cards and humorous postcards, Messrs. Graca and Co. are the people. They have a wide assortment of these cards, as well as the more sentimental and richly-colored ones. For the boys they have drums that will stand any amount of knocking without being dangerous. Adults, too, can find many things at this establishment that will prove useful.

## The M. M. ss Himalaya.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer "Himalaya," which was lying at the head and stern moorings off the Hong Kong wharves, parted her chain about six feet from the buoy on the morning of December 10 and swung ashore on the Pootung side. As the vessel was drawing more than 28 feet, she remained fast until the water rose, toward noon, when she was assisted off by two tugs and proceeded down river, and "Shipping and Engineering."

## CALENDARS AND BLOTTERS.

We have to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of some exceedingly tasteful calendars and blotters from various firms. Some of these are by way of being works of art and would adorn almost any wall.

Messrs. MacEwen, Frickel and Company have issued an exceedingly pretty calendar which embraces an excellent reproduction of a picture showing H.M.S. St. Vincent leaving Portsmouth Harbour, and the old Victory lying hard by.

The calendar issued by the Victoria Dispensary reproduces a remarkably fine female head study from the original of Shirley Fox.

The P. and O. issue a diary and almanack which is at once tasteful and useful. It is of handy pocket size and gives lists of sailings, maps of routes, and a wealth of statistical information.

Several almanacks have come to hand from insurance companies and are designed to be of particular use in offices. They have been received from the following: The Scottish Union and National Insurance Company and the Abnoria Assurance Company (Local Agents Messrs. Carlowitz & Co.); Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society, Limited (Messrs. David Sassoon and Co. Ltd.); Patriotic Insurance Company (Messrs. John D. Hutchison & Co.); Lancashire Insurance Company, Ltd. (Messrs. Arnold, Karberg & Co.); the South British Fire and Marine Insurance Company Ltd.; the Commercial Union Assurance Company; and the London Assurance.

A calendar sent us by Messrs. Gaudle, Price and Co. depicts a pretty picture of Miss Ellen Terry in the role of Portia from "The Merchant of Venice." The date slips are plainly printed and easy to detach. The proprietors of the famous King George and D.C.L. Scotch Whiskies are the actual publishers of the calendar.

The almanack published by the manufacturers of the famous Three Castles Cigarettes and Tobacco can claim to be a real work of art since it includes four reproductions of famous etchings of Old English coaching scenes.

Other almanacks have come to hand from F. C. Calvert and Co. of "Tooth Powder" fame; the Swedish East Asiatic Steamship Co., Ltd.; and the Fatum Accident Insurance Co.

## LOCAL SPORT.

## No Interport Rugby Match.

A cable has just been received from Shanghai to the effect that they will, after all, be unable to send a team down at Christmas. In view of the advanced stage of the arrangements to play, much disappointment is felt locally that this fixture will not take place. The following have been selected to play for the Club v. the Navy in the Cup Match this afternoon:—Full back, T. E. S. Robinson; three quarter backs B. Chapman; H. S. House, V. M. Grayburn; F. Sutherland; half backs A. A. Claxton; Jasper Clark; forwards A. Murdoch; S. B. McKelvey; A. F. Deane; H. G. Hegarty; T. J. Fisher; D. Walker; Chas. O. Smith; A. N. Oiler.

**Cricket.**  
Hong Kong Cricket Club vs. United Services.—Play will commence at 2 p.m. on Christmas Day, and not at 12 Noon as previously stated. On Boxing Day play will be continued at 10 a.m.

**Hong Kong Cricket League.**  
Club. P. W. L. D. P.  
Craigengower 6 4 1 1 13  
Kowloon 4 4 — 12  
Civil Service 4 2 1 1 7  
Hong Kong "B" 2 2 — 6  
Staff & Dept. 4 — 2 2 2  
Hong Kong Police 4 — 3 1 1  
R. E. 3 — 2 1 1  
Hong Kong "A" 3 — 3 — 0  
A Win — 3 points.  
A Draw — 1 point.

**The Atrous.**  
The s.s. Atrous reports that she made the trip from Shanghai to Hong Kong in 54 hours. She experienced fresh N.E. monsoon, misty weather and rough sea.

**The Adamastor.**  
The Portuguese Consul is giving a dinner to-night at his residence to the officers of the Portuguese cruiser "Adamastor," prior to their departure from the Colony.

## POST OFFICE.

## MAILS ARRIVED TO-DAY.

Calcutta etc., s.s. Dilwara, 20th Dec.—Singapore.  
Shanghai, s.s. Atrous, 20th Dec.—Singapore.  
Vancouver, etc., s.s. Empress of India, 20th Dec.—Singapore.

## MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Dec. 5  
Left Shanghai Dec. 6  
Left Dec. 21  
Left Dec. 23

## MAILS DUE.

American, Awa-maru, 22nd inst.  
American, Iuetzow 24th inst.

**SIBERIAN MAILS**—only a small portion of the mail from London of the 29th and 30th Nov. here received.

The Awa Maru is expected to arrive here on Sunday the 22nd inst., with the American Mail ex Nile.

The Iuetzow is expected to arrive here on Tuesday the 24th inst. with American Mail ex Mongolia.

## MAILS CLOSE.

Fort Bayard—Chongwa, 21st Dec., 9 a.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Per Vailin-maru, 22nd Dec., 9 a.m.

Swatow and Siam—Per Landrat Schieff, 22nd Dec., 9 a.m.  
Straits—Per Atrous, 23rd Dec., 11 a.m.

Straits and Ceylon—Per Wakana Maru, 23rd Dec., 11 a.m.  
Macao—Per Rui Tai, 23rd Dec., 1.15.

Shanghai and North China—Per Kingsing, 23rd Dec., 2 p.m.  
Sandakan—Per Mausang, 23rd Dec., 2 p.m.

Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Chefoo—Per Hangchow, 23rd Dec., 3 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haiyang, 23rd Dec., 5 p.m.

Siberian Mail.  
Shanghai, North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per Koonshing, 23rd Dec., at 5 p.m.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Singan, 24th Dec., 9 a.m.  
Pakhoi and Haiphong—Per Singan, 24th Dec., 9 a.m.

Straits, India via Calcutta—Per Namsang, 24th Dec., 1 p.m.  
Macao—Per Rui Tai, 24th Dec., 1.15.

Philippine Islands—Per Kuei chow, 24th Dec., 3 p.m.  
Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Ceylon—Per Hangchow, 24th Dec., 3 p.m.

Singapore, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per Ningpo, 24th Dec., 4 p.m.  
Shanghai and North China—Per Kingsing, 24th Dec., 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Haimun, 24th Dec., 5 p.m.  
Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Naples—Per Lutzow, 24th Dec., 6 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Anping—Per Soshu Maru, 24th Dec., 5 p.m.  
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per Dilwara, 26th Dec., 11 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki Victoria and Tacoma—Per Tacoma-maru, 26th Dec., noon.  
Shanghai and North China—Per Chenan, 26th Dec., 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Aieching, 26th Dec., 5 p.m.  
Philippine Islands—Per Zafiro, 27th Dec., 3 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Yap, Maroon, Fred, Wilhelmshefen, Rabaul, Herbertshoke, Mutupi, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Brisbane—Per Prinz Waldemar, 28th Dec., 8 a.m.

Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per Tjilatjap, 31st Dec., 10 a.m.  
Philippine—Per Loongsang, 28th Dec., 1 p.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—Per Ernest Simons, 28th Dec., 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Lunan, 28th Dec., 5 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan, 30th Dec., 5 p.m.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand via Darwin—Per St Albans, 4th Jan., 10 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per Empress of India, 10th Jan., 6 p.m.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVED.

Armenia, Ger. s.s., 3,386, Eokhorn, 20th Dec.—Singapore.  
Gen.—H. A. L.

Tacoma Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,000, T. Hamada, 20th Dec.—Gen.—O. S. K.

Wakana Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,623, N. Nielsen, 20th Dec.—Kobe 13th Dec., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Tjilatjap, Dutch s.s., 2,470, Lop, 20th Dec.—Meiji 15th Dec., Coal—J. C. J. L.

Atrous, Br. s.s., 4,290, R. C. Thompson, 20th Dec.—Shanghai 18th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Toan, Br. s.s., 1,374, A. W. Outerbridge, 20th Dec.—Manila 17th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Hangchow, Br. s.s., 999, G. Morse, 20th Dec.—Chefoo 14th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Singan, Br. s.s., 1,047, Robinson, 20th Dec.—Haiphong and Pakhoi 18th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

Soshu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,119, L. Tashiro, 21st Dec.—Swatow 20th Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.

Halvard, Nor. s.s., 1,066, C. Andersen, 21st Dec.—Bangkok and Hoihow 20th Dec., Gen.—Chinese.

Empress of India, Br. s.s., 5,940, A. Hailley, 21st Dec.—Vancouver, B.C., 28th Nov., Mail & Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Dilwara, Br. s.s., 3,460, W. J. Bishop, 21st Dec.—Singapore 15th Dec., Gen.—S. & Co.

Wingsang, Br. s.s., 1,517, Lishman, 21st Dec.—Ching-kiang 20th Dec., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Anhui, Br. s.s., 1,350, Harris, 21st Dec.—Canton 20th Dec., Gen.—B. & S.

## CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Dec. 20.  
Lyeemooon, for Saigon.  
Chiyo-maru, for San Francisco, Uarg, for Hongkong.

Armenia, for Shanghai.  
Landrat Schieff, for Swatow.  
Daiya-maru, for Wakamatsu.

Yuensang, for Manila.  
Dagun, for Bangkok.  
Tjikini, for Shanghai.

Haimun, for Swatow.  
Upada, for Yokohama.  
Tjilatjap, for Batavia.

Tjilatjap, for Shanghai.  
Bengalaw, for Yokohama.  
Liangchow, for Shanghai.

## DEPARTED.

Dec. 21.  
Hopsang, for Hongkong.  
Johanna, for Nacoo.

Andree Rickmers, for Yokohama.  
Szechuen, for Canton.  
Loksang, for Shanghai.

Himalaya, for Bombay.  
Stentor, for Singapore.  
Egrement Castle, for New York.

Chiyo-maru, for San Francisco.  
Haimun, for Swatow.  
Kashing, for Canton.

Hongmoh, for Amoy.  
Bengalaw, for Japan.  
Tjikini, for Shanghai.

Tjilatjap, for Batavia.  
Yuensang, for Philippine Island.  
Dagun, for Bangkok.

Hangsang, for Shanghai.  
Kumsang, for Moji.  
Armenia, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Singan, arrived 20th inst., from Haiphong, etc.:—Soffietto, P.

Per s.s. Dilwara, arrived 21st inst., from Singapore:—Symonds, Mr. & Wiyer, Rev Mrs. Father, Leon

Per s.s. Empress of India, arrived 21st inst., from Vancouver, etc.:—Briggs, H. Lum Sun-jack, Barry, Rev G. B. Li Yew

Ball, Mr. and Lee Chuck-fung, Mrs. F. S. Low Gar-long, Bang, Mr. and Lam Yuk-nam

Mrs. Luis. Lee Bun, Gee Ong-new, Richardson, Mr. Choy Quan, and Mrs. H. T. Chu Dong, Stevens, J.

Deinson, O. G. Turner, Mr. and Gee Kong, Mrs. W. C. D. Hoape, F. B. Waterhouse, T. Hynd, R. R. Weider, W. E. Lee Quon, Wing Kum.

**S IPS PASSED THE CANAL.**  
London, 6th December.  
Arrivals from China—Brommore, Derflinger, Miyasaki Maru, Porous.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Dumbosa, Jeserico, Kitano Maru, Montrose, P. E. Friedrich, Prinz Ludwig, Telemachus, Arcadia, Indrakula.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 21st at 12.20.—Pressure has decreased moderately from the Yangtze Valley to Vladivostok, and slightly along the S.E. coast of China.

No returns from Japan.  
Moderate monsoon is indicated along the E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

**FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.**  
District. Forecast.

1 Hongkong & Neighbourhood. N. E. winds, moderate, fair.

2 Formosa Channel. N. E. winds, strong.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook. The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.  
21st December, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Weather.
Wostock	7 a.m.	30.23	34	45	n	1 b	
Nemuro	6 a						
Hakodate							
Tokio							
Kochi							
Nagasaki							
Kshima							
Oshima							
Naha							
Ishijima							
Bonin Is.							
Chefoo							
Whaiwei		30.19	30	90	ws	2 o	
Hankow							
Kiukiang		30.22	41	94	n	1 o	
Shanghai		30.17	41	100	n	1 o	
Gutzlaff		30.07	44	—	—	—	
Sharp P.		7 a.m.	30.13	59	—	0 c	
Amoy		6 a.m.	30.08	60	82	hw	3 o
Swatow		7 a.m.	30.10	59	88	—	0 o
Taihou		5 a.m.	30.04	—	—	—	0 c
Taihu			30.04	—	—	—	0 c
Tainan			30.05	—	—	—	0 c
Koshun			30.01	—	—	—	0 c
P'dores			29.98	—	—	—	0 c
Canton		9 a.m.	30.10	62	94	n	1 o
H'kong		6 a.m.	30.05	64	80	e	3 o
V. Peak		7 a	—	—	—	—	se 1
Gap Rock		6 a.m.	30.03	—	—	—	ene 5 c
Macao			30.08	63	—	—	ese 1 c
Wuchow		9 a.m.	30.17	57	87	w	3 r
Hoihow							
Pakhoi							
Phulien		6 a.m.	30.03	66	—	—	ene 3 dh
Tourane			29.93	—	—	—	ene 4 c
C. St. J.			29.93	—	—	—	ene 4 c
Apurri			29.95	—	—	—	0 b
Manila			29.91	—	—	—	0 c
Legaspi			29.89	—	—	—	0 c
Bacolod			29.91	—	—	—	nw 1 o
Iloilo			29.91	—	—	—	n 1 b
Cebu			29.89	—	—	—	e 1 c
Labuan			29.87	—	—	—	—

T. F. Claxton, Director.  
Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 21.  
1—Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2—Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3—Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the Humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4—Direction of Wind, to two points.

5—Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6—State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet).

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

## METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous	Day	On Date	On Date
Barometer	30.04	30.10	30.05
Temperature	64	63	65
Humidity	89	84	68
Wind			
Direction	E	E	E
Force	4	4	4
Weather	o	o	b
Rain			

Highest open-air Temperature on the 19th 70

H.K. Observatory, 20th Dec., 1912.

## TIDE TABLE.

Dec. 17th to 23rd Dec., 1912.			
Time	High Water	Low Water	Mean Time
17th	12 m	6 m	12 m
18th	11 m	5 m	11 m
19th	10 m	4 m	10 m
20th	9 m	3 m	9 m
21st	8 m	2 m	8 m
22nd	7 m	1 m	7 m
23rd	6 m	0 m	6 m

## Mail Steamers

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. CO.

Will despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named—

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARK
SHANGHAI .....	INDIA Capt. G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	about 2nd Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL .....	DELTA Capt. E. P. Martin, R.N.R.	Noon, 4th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & AN- WERP, S' FORE, FREMAG, C'MO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES.....	SICILIA Capt. C. H. Watkins, R.N.R.	about 25th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOI KOBE & YOKOHAMA.....	SUNDA Capt. C. E. Irwin, R.N.R.	about 28th Dec.	Freight and Passage.